

**HUNTERDON COUNTY LIBRARY COMMISSION
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NORTH COUNTY BRANCH
65 HALSTEAD STREET
CLINTON, NEW JERSEY
OCTOBER 21, 2016**

The regular meeting of the Hunterdon County Library Commission was called to order at 9:00 a.m.

ATTENDANCE

Jean Allured, Nouhad Jensen, Thomas Valasek, William Newitt, Peter Mustardo, Library Director Mark Titus, Assistant Library Director Jennifer Winberry.

OPEN PUBLIC MEETING ACT

Read by Jean Allured

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Library Commission went into executive session at 9:00 a.m. to discuss contracts and legal matters. The commission came out of executive session at 9:05 a.m.

The Library Commission viewed three TED Talks as part of their annual training:

The 3 A's of Awesome

Surprising Habits of Original Thinkers

The Fringe Benefits of Failure

Thomas Valasek left the meeting at 10:00.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

None.

COMMENTS FROM MEMBER LIBRARIES

None.

REPORT FROM THE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

- Mr. Titus reported the Friends recently held their annual dinner.
- The Friends community liaisons recently visited affiliate libraries to hand out checks.
- Tricky Tray had 163 baskets and was a successful fundraiser. Next year they will look for a larger space. There were 150 participants and the Friends netted \$3,400.00.
- The annual request to the Freeholders to waive the fee for the South County Park for the book sale was submitted and approved.

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MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

William Newitt moved approval of the September 16, 2016 meeting minutes. Nouhad Jensen seconded. Motion carried.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- Work was done recently on the bookmobile. It has gone to several community events, including Fire Prevention Night in Sergeantsville. About 75 people stopped by.
- Active shooter training was held on September 29. Headquarters and the branches were closed for the morning so all staff could attend.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Mr. Titus reported that he participated in Edmunds financial training recently and also met with Janet Previte to go over some reports and accounts. Ms. Previte is starting to move funds so they will earn higher interest. Mr. Titus is also working with her on the library budget, which remains flat.

We have a current posting for a part-time librarian and will be requesting a posting for a full-time librarian.

Peter Mustardo moved to accept the financial report. William Newitt seconded. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

River Reads will be held on October 23 at Prallsville Mills, with the Friends listed as one of the beneficiaries.

PERSONNEL RESOLUTIONS

None.

The next meeting will be held on November 18 at Headquarters.

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ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

Kathleen Connors
Administrative Secretary