

**Alden Ewell Free Library
Minutes – Board of Trustees
April 30, 2018**

President Susan Sabers Chapman opened the regular bi-monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Alden Ewell Free Library at 7:50 PM on April 30, 2018. Present: Trustees Susan Sabers Chapman, William Chapman, Joy Insinna, Carol Dubel, Library Manager Rebecca Moe and Library Clerk Jamie Craft. Absent: Trustee Tanya Lords-Quinn.

A moment of silence was observed in memory of recently deceased Association Member Donald Sabers.

Agenda approved (W. Chapman, J. Insinna)

Minutes of the Regular (2/5/18) meeting were approved (J. Insinna, W. Chapman)

Financial Report:

Treasurer Joy Insinna presented a report showing the library's current account balances. The report was received and filed for audit (W. Chapman, C. Dubel)

Library Manager's Report:

Manager Rebecca Moe reported on statistics for February and March, showing declines in Patron Count, Circulation and Computer use in February (possibly weather-related), followed by increases in all areas in March. A total of 26 programs were offered during February, March and April with excellent participation of 251 attendees. Manager Moe attended six meetings, as well as a Friends gathering in Hamburg. Ms. Moe also hosted a visit from Erie County Legislator John Brusco's office, a photo of which was posted on his Facebook page.

Association Report:

None

Communications:

A letter was received from Elwood-Jordans Insurance, noting proposed changes in our coverage.

Unfinished Business:

Ms. Moe reported on a presentation by Ken Stone regarding the importance of "Friends" as a key to our libraries' success, and challenged all Board members to come up with new ideas on ways to interest and involve more community members in special library projects. Tabled until June meeting. Discussion pertaining to our sign coverage with Elwood-Jordans; matter tabled until June to compare coverage with that of B&ECPL Officers and Directors. The ACT meeting of March 10 was well-attended, including President Sabers-Chapman and Trustees Insinna and Lord-Quinn.

New Business:

The Alden-Lancaster Art Club has again requested permission to display their art works in our library during the month of October. Approved. (W.Chapman, C. Dubel) The Board discussed outside landscaping to again be done by Shani during the month of June; flowers for two pots will be donated by Association member Carrie Sabers-Graziano. The Candy Sales project report was tabled until the June meeting. The State Report was approved (J. Insinna, W. Chapman). A list of potential repairs needed was discussed, including new carpet, fresh paint, floor refinishing and new curtains/shades in the book sale room. A question was raised about possibly obtaining assistance from local Boy Scouts.

Next Regular Meeting: Monday, June 4, 2018 at 7:00 PM. Election of Officers to be held.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 8:43 PM (*J. Insinna, C. Dubel*)

Respectfully submitted,

Carol C. Dubel, Secretary