

**January 16, 2018
Charlton Public Library
Quarterly Meeting Minutes**

Members present: Donna Nance, Teresa Hamilton, Linda Pina, Susan Carter, Lynn Young, Barbara Parker, Dr. Diana Very, Three River Regional Library System. **Members absent:** Barbara Smiley

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Nance. A motion was made to accept the agenda by Mrs. Carter and seconded by Ms. Pina. All members voted in favor of the motion.

Minutes

A motion was made to accept the minutes as printed by Mrs. Hamilton and seconded by Mrs. Carter. All members voted in favor of the motion.

Financial Report

\$82,765.00 remains in the construction account. An ongoing problem is getting different persons to do additional work on the library. Ms. Parker reported there is still a discrepancy of about \$8,000.00 in the budget between the library and the region in the library's favor. She and Dr. Very will work together to resolve the problem. Dr. Very stated the Lowe's bill should be from the construction account and not the general fund. Ms. Parker will correct this problem.

Manager's Report

The first half of 2017-2018 was very busy for the library. The patron count was high and the library presented many different programs. November and December were slower months. The TV and carts are here.

The Big Read is February 5, 2018. The book is "Station Eleven" by Emily St. John Mandell. Erica Rainey from the region will present a program on January 23rd titled "Prince and Princesses." On February 26th there is a Ben Franklin program. The Summer Reading Program Theme is "Libraries Rock."

The Friends of the Library Meeting is January 18, 2018 at 4:00 pm.

Ms. Parker stated the closing dates for the library need to be approved. After discussion it was decided to approve the closing dates through October 2018. A motion was made by Ms. Pina and seconded by Mrs. Carter to approve the closing dates through October 2018. All members voted in favor of the motion.

There is roof damage. So far it has been difficult to obtain help from anyone in assessing the problem and deciding on the cause of the damage.

Old Business

The painting or replacement of the front doors continues to be a problem. The board discussed the problem, but no decision was reached. Ms. Parker stated it is becoming more difficult to lock and secure the doors.

A patron counter is needed for the library. The board told Ms. Parker to go ahead and purchase it. Also children' furniture and some additional chairs need to be purchased for the library.

Regional Director's Report

Dr. Very stated she is hoping the ongoing problem with the Camden library will be resolved at a meeting tonight. They will decide whether to go out on their own, or to remain under the regional umbrella. She is hopeful they will decide to remain a part of the region.

Upon completion of business a motion was made to adjourn at 12:30 by Mrs. Young and seconded by Mrs. Hamilton. All members voted in favor of the motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Lynn Young
Secretary