

## Hazard Library Association Annual Meeting

Opendore, Monday, April 14, 2025

The meeting was called to order by President, Nancy Hart at 7:00 p.m. She welcomed guests and introduced the Board as well as Cailin O'Donnell, Library Assistant, and Lisa Semenza, Librarian. Our other Library Assistant, Kathy Kirk was unable to attend.

MINUTES: Sonjia read the minutes from last year's annual meeting. Sally Otis moved to accept the minutes, and Andy Simkin seconded. Passed.

BY-LAW CHANGES: Lisa reported as follows:

- \* Board members can now serve 3 - 3 year terms instead of 2 - 3 year terms.

A motion was made by Guy and seconded by Andy to accept this change. Ratified.

- \* Now any Board member can nominate a person to become a trustee. Sally was concerned that a community member would not be on a nominating committee.

Motion to accept this change was made by Sally and seconded by Andy. Ratified

- \* Meetings will be held at a designated place & published in advance. A motion to accept this change was made by Guy and seconded by Andy. Ratified.

BOARD MEMBER TERMS THAT ARE UP FOR A 2ND OR 3RD TERM:

Nancy Hart, Connie Rejman, Patricia Covert, Pat Berry, Betsy Donald—Guy moved to approve the nominated slate of candidates. Kathie Garnsey approved. Lisa noted that we have board members from all 4 townships as well as having a Quaker on our Board.

ANNUAL MEETING BROCHURE:

Lisa went over the information in the brochure. She mentioned the Chop Chop magazine that is distributed quarterly to food pantry recipients. It is grant funded and printed in both Spanish and English.

SUMMER PROGRAMS:

The theme this year is Art related, so there will be fewer performers and more hands on activities.

The Science on the Bus will continue to be parked at the Poplar Ridge Fire Department as it is more visible and close to summer school students to come over to participate in these activities.

INCOME AND EXPENSES:

Lisa went over these as listed in the brochure. Sally asked:

- \* Who the custodian is currently — Jessica Brown.

- \* About Building Fund Expenses

- \* About Book Club on Zoom.

**TAX LEVY:**

We requested and received \$56,825 last year and are asking for \$7,500 more at this year's school budget vote.

**THIS YEAR'S LIBRARY BUDGET:**

Lisa discussed this. Andy asked about the budget for construction and Lisa explained that it is a totally separate budget and bank account. She stated that State funds were received for this in December.

A motion was made by Andy and seconded by Guy to accept the budget. Ratified.

**LIBRARY BUILDING UPDATE:**

Nancy indicated that there are 4 possible contractors. Two are interested. One has not replied at this time. A pre-bid meeting will take place on 4/24/25 at Opendore with Julia (Architect) and Opendore & Library people in attendance.

Bids will be accepted until May 7.

Lisa stated that there is a grant change for Phase 2. We will need to resubmit the grant this year because we do not have photos of Phase 1 to submit as this Phase has not been started yet.

**SARAH GLOGOWSKI FROM FINGER LAKJES LIBRARY SYSTEM:**

Sarah noted many changes in funding to libraries at the Federal level and the dangers to state libraries. Much of FLLS funding comes from the state rather than being federal funding.

Bess asked if this would affect our Phase 2 funding. We have 6 years for Phase 1, but should resubmit for Phase 2 by August, 2025 as both Phase 2 and 3 could be affected.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

Refreshments provided by the Library Staff and Board members were served following the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,

Betsy Donald, Acting Secretary