

MANCHESTER LIBRARY BOARD
MEETING MINUTES FOR MARCH 19, 2018

Members present: Miriam Byroade, Karl Hasel, Jessica Scorso, David Austin, Mary Fischer, Joyce Hood, Melissa Pattacini, Grace Cedrone

Also present: Doug McDonough, Norma Nevers, Jeff Capone Absent: Sally Nyhan

Chairperson Miriam Byroade called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Review of investments by Jeff Capone from Fiduciary Investment Advisors: All three funds are doing well with gains of slightly over 3%.

Adoption of minutes: Minutes from the January 8, 2018 meeting were approved as submitted.

Public comment: none

Librarian's Report: Norma reported that the theme for the summer children's reading program will be libraries rock. She circulated the design for the logo that will appear on the t-shirts. The kick off for the summer reading program will be Saturday, June 23rd. The library received a small grant from Cruising on Main that is going to be used to hold a classic car modeling club. The club will meet four times with a different build each month. There are 10 models available to build for each session where pizza will also be served. The club target age range is 8-11. The first model build will be during April vacation. Any models that are not built will become summer reading prizes.

Doug reported that the general managers recommended budget is for the library staffing, programs, and book budget to stay at the same level for next year. He also reported that the library has experienced modest declines in loans of physical digital formats (CD's, DVDs), while E-books and digital content usage has gone up slightly and the circulation of physical books is also up. The Whiton AC project is out to bid and will be reviewed by town engineers. The project will be awarded in early April, with completion by summer.

Old business: none

New business: none

Motion to adjourn at 7:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary J. Fischer