

Upper Merion Township Library Board Meeting

September 10, 2018 6:45 p.m-8:30 p.m.

Attendees: David Bristowe, Sharon Duris, Linda Knoll, Tracey Pasquale, Fauzia Shamim, Laura Arnhold-Library, Carole Keeney-Township Liaison

Unable to attend: Janet Medrow, Beth Nachman

Minutes:

Minutes from the July 9, 2018 meeting will be approved at the next meeting.

Adult Services and Director's Comments:

- Summer Reading Program for Teens and Adults ended on Friday, August 30, 2018.
- Tech Night on August 6, 2018, was well attended.
- Tech Tuesdays at the Senior Center in July and August has been a wonderful experience for our youth volunteers.
- Thanks to UMPD for including us at National Night Out on Tuesday, August 7, 2018.
- Coloring Night group met many Mondays in August.
- Spray paint your Own T-Shirt on Thursday August 9, 2018 was attended by 22 young adults.
- Stress Buster Seminar on August 15, 2018 was well attended by our patrons.
- Bells, Bands, & Bosus on August 15, 2018 at the Community Center on Monday, August 20, 2018 was a great work out for our library patrons.
- Knit Night on August 27, 2018 was very well attended.
- Finding One's Place in the World: Traveling to New Lands, New Times, and New Loves is this falls Book Discussion Series.
- The Atrium display in September featured models of Police vehicles and sampling of Police services provided to the community. The library display case highlighted the art work of Dana McGahey's talented students and the display in front of the Reference office complemented the summer reading theme of Libraries Rock" with an international music theme, showcasing a number of musical instruments from different countries and an assortment of books and compact discs from the library' collection.

Children's Services:

- The library's summer story hour classes ended the week of August 1, 2018.
- Library Board member, Janet Medrow and her therapy greyhound dog, Star provided Read to the Dog services to children in kindergarten through fourth grade on August 8th and 15th, 2018.
- Eighty-one extended Day Camp students visited the library on August 13th and 14th, 2018 to return library books and collect the incentives they had earned for their reading during camp quiet times.
- Approximately 175 people attended the library's Upper Merion's Got Talent Show on August 8th, 2018.
- Twelve entries were submitted for the Edible Book Contest.
- Children's performer Pete Moses provided an interactive music and movement program at the library on August 14th, 2018.

- On August 13th, 2018, twenty-one children ages 5-8 and 6 parents participated in a LEGO block building party.
- Six children and twelve adults attended a special program celebrating their child's completion of the 1,000 books before Kindergarten challenge this year.
- The library's summer reading program ended August 31st, 2018.
- On August 21st, 2018 Sue Kirkpatrick focused on the science of the human body with her Preschool Explorers class.
- Thirteen children and eleven adults attended the library's movie matinee showing of Frozen on August 29th, 2018.
- During August, different collections of materials were displayed each week. There were small book displays on sea and sand, crabs, the ocean, and lighthouses. Meera Alve put together a large table display on resources related to Early Literacy and Rina Staley created a back to school themed display for the small table.

Old Business:

- Review library policies.

New Business:

- Library Card Sign-Up Month overview
- Choolah Fundraiser-Sept. 28, 2018, library will receive 30%
- Budget Meetings begin in October
- Goals for 2019

Report from Carole Keeney-Township Liaison:

- Carole updated the board on various township activities.

Upcoming Events:

- October 15, 2018 Library Board Meeting 6:45 p.m.
- November 4, 2018 Citizens Board Luncheon at Maggiano's 12:30 p.m.
- November 12, 2018 Library Board Meeting 6:45 p.m.
- December 10, 2018 Library Board Meeting 6:45 p.m.
- January 14, 2019 Library Board Meeting 6:45 p.m.-Reorganization Meeting

Respectfully Submitted,

Sharon Duris, Secretary

