

Upper Merion Township Library Board Meeting

January 13, 2020 6:45 p.m.-7:45 p.m.

Attendees: David Bristowe, Sharon Duris, Janet Medrow, Beth Nachman, Tracey Pasquale, Laura Arnhold-Library Director, Christine Kiser, Lisa Kiser

Unable to Attend: Linda Noll, Fauzia Shamim, Carole Keeney-Township Liaison

Reorganization:

- Chair: David Bristowe
- Vice Chair: Tracey Pasquale
- Secretary: Sharon Duris
- Meeting on the 2nd Monday of each month at 6:45 p.m.

Minutes: Minutes were approved from the December 9, 2019 meeting.

Adult Services and Directors Comments:

- Coloring Night for adults is scheduled for the 2nd Monday of each month.
- Tech Night on December 2, 2019 was attended by our regular patrons.
- ESL Classes meet on Tuesdays at 1 pm.
- Glass Painting hands-on class on Sunday, December 1, 2019 was one of our top attended classes.
- Movement and Meditation at the Community Center on Wednesday, December 9, 2019 was attended by our patrons who were not community center members.
- Yogic Breathing and Meditation Workshop on Tuesday, December 10, 2019 was led by volunteer teachers from a local non-profit organization.
- Senior Center Computer Class on Wednesday, December 11, 2019 taught by Sangeetha, focused on cell phone shortcuts.
- Adult Game Night is scheduled for 2nd Tuesday of every month.
- ACT Practice class on Saturday, December 14, 2019 was well attended by our local high school students and students from neighboring townships.
- Board Game Night at Workhorse Brewing Co. was held on Tuesday, December 17, 2019.
- Knit Nite in December was attended by many of our regular knitters despite the weather.
- The atrium display cases featured beautiful artwork by 2 local fourth generation artists.
- The library case displayed an array of angel ornaments, pins, pictures, books and all things angelic.
- The table in front of the Reference office was decked out with an array of holiday books, movies, and music.

Children's Services:

- Twelve children and two adults came out to compete against each other at the library's monthly chess club meeting on December 9, 2019.

- Nineteen middle school students attended the library's holiday party on December 9, 2019.
- BJ Miraglia planned and presented two Christmas themed daytime story hours on December 11th and 13th, 2019 and fingerplays.
- The library's Passport Pals program was cancelled on December 16, 2019 due to threat of icy conditions.
- Meg Lawn and Jeanne Kauffman shared special Hanukkah stories, a craft and songs with children ages 2-5 and their parents on December 17, 2019.
- The library offered three special Saturday story times in December to provide special programming for families during the interim between story time sessions.
- Prior to the release of the new Disney Frozen II movie, Becky Ginther planned and organized a Frozen themed family party on December 11, 2019 for 75 children and 75 adults.
- Fourteen children and six adults came out to build and play with the library's building toys.
- Sue Kirkpatrick highlighted holiday books on the large table display themed Season's Reading.
- Rina Das showcased Holiday Movies.
- Angie Dalasio featured additional displays including books on winter, December, the New Year as well as a special display on mice as book characters in a display titled "Not Even a Mouse."

New Business:

- Annual Statistics
- Staff training in February

Upcoming Events:

- February 10, 2020 Library Board Meeting 6:45 p.m.
- March 9, 2020 Library Board Meeting 6:45 p.m.
- April 13, 2020 Library Board Meeting 6:45 p.m.
- May 11, 2020 Library Board Meeting 6:45 p.m.
- June 8, 2020 Library Board Meeting 6:45 p.m.
- July 13, 2020 Library Board Meeting 6:45 p.m.
- August 10, 2020 Library Board Meeting 6:45 p.m.
- September 14, 2020 Library Board Meeting 6:45 p.m.
- October 12, 2020 Library Board Meeting 6:45 p.m.
- November 9, 2020 Library Board Meeting 6:45 p.m.
- December 14, 2020 Library Board Meeting 6:45 p.m.
- January 11, 2021 Library Board Meeting 6:45 p.m.-Reorganization Meeting

Respectfully Submitted,

Sharon Duris, Secretary