

Minutes of the Phoenicia Library Board Meeting July 20, 2023

Present: Bernard Handzel, Becca Frank, Sandy Hyun, Bethia Waterman

Absent: Holly George Warren, Liz Potter

The meeting was called to order at 6 pm. The Agenda was approved on a motion by Bernie, seconded by Sandy. The minute of the two previous meetings – the regular meeting on June 15, and the special meeting on July 29 were approved on a motion by Bernie, seconded by Becca with the following corrections to the July 29 minutes. The number valid signatures on the petition should be 212, not 222.

In the absence of the Director, Bernie reported that the annual report is in preparation, that we received 2 grants mentioned in last month's minutes from MHLS, and that the requirements for the Board to sign and comply with the whistle blower and conflict of interest policies and sex harassment training will be circulated next week.

Progress on 414 – Joyce has the documentation and is sending to BOE next week. The next step is to design and print bookmarks.

JBC report – Beth reported that she is planning a public event titled, "The Glory of Fly Fishing in Phoenicia" on Sunday October 15 from 2-4 in the downstairs of the library. She asked other board members to help with set up.

Unfinished Business – Balkan Fest is coming on September 23, rain date September 24.

New Business: Bernie noted that the outdoor benches on the sidewalk are rubbing against the siding. We discussed possible solutions. Until then, we ask staff to pull them away from the building if possible.

Next Meeting: The meeting scheduled for August 17 is not possible for any of the members present. Bernie will send out an email to reschedule it.

The meeting was adjourned a 6.21 on a motion by Bernie, seconded by Sandy.

Minutes prepared by Beth Waterman