BUCKS COUNTY FREE LIBRARY
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 20, 2022

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Bucks County Free Library was held at the Quakertown branch. The meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. Present were: Constance Moore, President; Anthony Bush, Vice President; Richard Rogers, Treasurer; and Amy Masgay, Georgette Helbling, Brian Reimers, and Kathleen Moeller-Peiffer, Board Trustees; Martina Kominiarek, Chief Executive Officer; John Doran, Chief Financial Officer; Joe Thompson, Chief Operating Officer, Jessica Gruber, Public Services Director, and Pamela Riley, HR Administrator. Also in attendance were: Holly Ambrose, Collection Management Director; Jennifer Moakler, Collection Management Administrator; Ceil Hedrick, Collection Management Manager; Kathleen Loudon, Collection Management Librarian; Renee Wilson, Collection Management Associate; Bonnie White, Quakertown Library Manager; and Matt Hrebicik, IT Manager.

A MOTION to APPROVE the minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 19, 2022 was made by Masgay, SECONDED by Reimers, and APPROVED unanimously.

PRESIDENT’S REPORT

President Moore commented on September Library Card Sign-Up Month. Also, new board member Kathleen Moeller-Peiffer was introduced.

STAFF REPORTS

Report of Chief Executive Officer/Martina Kominiarek

A strategic plan update was provided to the board. Marketing & Fundraising Specialist Emily Weber-Wood will be requesting board members to complete bios for the BCFL website. There will be a fundraising effort targeting one branch at a time, and the first one is Langhorne. Board Trustee Georgette Helbling was thanked for her help in contacting donors, and the board was asked for additional help in this latest effort.

Report of Collection Management Director/Holly Ambrose

Several staff members from the Collection Management Department were on hand to discuss the selection process for books and other materials.

Report of Chief Financial Officer/John Doran

MOTION to APPROVE the check register for July 2022 in the amount of $260,384.59 was made by Masgay, SECONDED by Rogers, and APPROVED unanimously.
MOTION to APPROVE the July 2022 financial statements (subject to audit) was made by Masgay, SECONDED by Rogers, and APPROVED unanimously.

MOTION to APPROVE the check register for August 2022 in the amount of $660,829.69 was made by Reimers, SECONDED by Masgay, and APPROVED unanimously.

MOTION to APPROVE the August 2022 financial statements (subject to audit) was made by Masgay, SECONDED by Reimers, and APPROVED unanimously.

Public Comment

- Perkasie resident David Bedillion objected to a children’s book on display at the Perkasie branch.
- Ada Miller of West Rockhill Township voiced her support of the Quakertown branch and the services it provides for her daughter.
- Vonna DeArmond objected to the Summer Quest badge suggesting children read a banned book.

The board elected to move into Executive Session for a personnel matter at 7:00 p.m. The board moved out of Executive Session at 7:30 p.m.

There being no further business, a MOTION to ADJOURN was made at 7:31 p.m. by Rogers, SECONDED by Reimers, and so MOVED.

APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OCTOBER 18, 2022