



Petersburg Borough

12 South Nordic Drive
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Meeting Minutes Library Advisory Board Regular Meeting

Wednesday, October 20, 2021

2:00 PM

Via Zoom

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1. Call to Order / Roll Call

Chair Menish-Meucci called the meeting to order.

2. Approval of minutes

Minutes were approved as submitted.

A. Minutes from Sept 22 regular meeting

3. Amendment and Approval of Meeting Agenda

The agenda was approved as submitted.

4. Persons to be Heard Related/Unrelated to the Agenda

5. Director's Report

A. Weeding is in full swing in preparation for inventory during our Jan 2022 closure

The Manhattan Short Film Festival was held in two sessions with 24 total in attendance

The power fluctuations in early October led to the demise of some equipment needed for our wireless internet. It was down for a few days but is working again

Homegrown Conversations on Sept 30 was about Orange Shirt Day, a day that commemorates those lost and those who survived Canadian residential schools. Kari interviewed Derrick O'Soup, Karen O'Soup and George Mirasty about how residential schools affected their lives and families. The show was exceptional and very impactful. Kari's skills as an interviewer shone and Derrick was courageous to agree to speak about a difficult issue. It was definitely award winning work!

6. Unfinished Business

- A. Congratulations to Elisa and Gina for their reelection to the Board.

7. New Business

- A. Annual election of Board Chair & Vice Chair

Marilyn Menish-Meucci was re-elected as Chair. Lizzie Thompson was re-elected as Vice Chair. The group thanked Marilyn for her capable handing of meetings.

- B. Request for Reconsideration of Material: Harvey Gilliland has requested that the HBO television series Deadwood be removed from the library collection. The Library Board is asked to discuss this request and make a final determination on whether the series will be retained or removed. Supporting documents are attached.

Each Board member spoke about their response to the Request for Reconsideration.

Board Members unanimously voted to decline Harvey Gilliland's request to remove the DVD series Deadwood from the library collection.

8. Discussion Items

- A. Updates from the Friends of the Library

No October book sale was held. There will be a sale on Sat. Nov 6. There are many library discards and donations, including lots of DVDs.

The sign for the Helmi Jenson Community Room is scheduled to be installed by the end of November.

- B. Next meeting date

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday Dec 1 at 2pm.

9. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned.