

EASTON AREA PUBLIC LIBRARY  
Meeting of the Board of Directors  
Monday, March 13, 2023  
3:00 pm.

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Easton Area Public Library was held on Monday, March 13, 2023. President Mrs. Walker called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. Present: Mrs. Walker, Ms. Long, Mr. Thomas, Mrs. van Horne-Brett, and Mr. Lake. Mrs. Ramirez-Luhrs and Mr. Reilly were absent. Also present Jennifer Long, Director and Sheila Wolff, Business Manager.

Interested Citizens: None

Consent Agenda: A motion was made to accept the consent agenda by Ms. Long and was seconded by Mr. Lake. By voice vote, all were in favor.

Communications: The Easton Area School District sent an email requesting our presenters to have notes or a report forwarded to Allie Ramirez before noon on the Friday before the EASD meeting.

Reports on Executive Sessions: None

Committee Reports: Mr. Thomas reported the Personnel and Policy Committee is continuing to review the general policies.

Director's Report: Mrs. Long highlighted from her report. The Annual Report is completed and is in review with Mrs. Morrow, District Consultant. The Library's new calendar is online. The Library's new morning hours started on March 6<sup>th</sup>. Monday thru Friday, the Library now opens at 8:00am. Mrs. Jones has joined us as Palmer's Assistant Branch Manager. She worked at the Allentown and Northampton Libraries. The Library has received notification of a bequest of \$50,000 from a former patron of the Palmer Branch. In April, we will be starting direct loans with Bangor, and 5 of our district libraries in Monroe County. This will be instead of ILL, which will reduce our delivery costs and make resources available the next day. Easton patrons will double their resources availability to 2,000,000 items.

Old Business: The Strategic Planning update. The Steering Committee met last week and are working on a vision statement. Today, the public survey was launched for patrons and non-patrons, in English and Spanish, available on line or paper survey in our locations.

New Business: None

Ms. Long made a motion to adjourn at 3:45pm. and was seconded by Mr. Thomas. By voice vote, all were in favor.

Next EAPL Board meeting: April 10, 2023

Next EASD Board meeting: April 18, 2023 Mr. Lake will be reporting

Respectfully submitted,

Sheila Wolff, Recording Secretary

