

BEEKMAN LIBRARY ANNUAL MEETING
Sunday, February 24, 2019
Beekman Library
Community Room

Meeting Called to Order:

Bitsy Scigliano, President at 2:02 pm

Trustees Present: Bitsy Scigliano, Kate Monroe, Linda Jacobs, Beth Ferguson, Karen Madden, Breda Huvane

Trustees Absent: Lynn Brickman

Pledge of Allegiance

Opening Remarks: Bitsy Scigliano

Recognition of guests including, staff, Friends, and members of the public in attendance

- ❖ Recognized guests: Sharon Wohrman, Town of Beekman Deputy Supervisor; Ezio Battaglini, Town of Beekman Councilman; Corrina Kelley, Town of Union Vale Councilwoman
- ❖ At the core of the Beekman Library's accomplishments in 2018 have been the people that make up the points of the star that is the center of the library: Director and Assistant Director, Staff, Friends of the Library, Board of Trustees, Mid-Hudson Library System.
- ❖ Recognition of the Friends of the Beekman Library for their efforts which helped purchase shelving, media, programs, Battle of the Books and more.
- ❖ Recognized the excellent leadership and work of Executive Director, Carol Fortier

Review Minutes of 2016 Annual Meeting:

Motion by Beth Ferguson to waive reading of minutes, seconded by Breda Huvane, approved unanimously

Treasurer's Report: (see report on file)

Beth Ferguson, Treasurer

Revenues and Expenditures

For year ending December 2018

Total Revenue	\$ 510,610
Total Expenditures	\$ 471,607
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures	\$ 39,003

Friends Report:

Presented by Dave Anderson, President

Presentation of donated funds to the library of \$17840

- ❖ Another record set in fundraising this year
- ❖ Money raised through book sales, raffles, craft and vendor fairs, cookie and candy sales, and donations
- ❖ The Friend took over the Annual Appeal in 2018
- ❖ With membership up to 72 – best year ever – The Friends has expanded its talent base
- ❖ Setup used book sales through Amazon.com
- ❖ All contributed to the success of the Friends of the Library

Director's Report: (On file in the library)

Carol Rodriguez, Director

Highlights:

- ❖ The library experienced another year of valued community involvement including services for children, seniors and those homebound with special deliveries of requested library materials.
- ❖ There's been a 16% increase in program attendance in 2018

- ❖ 2018 was viewed as a transition year with the retirement of Irene Dugan and the staff taking on new roles to fill the multitude of jobs that Irene did for the library.
- ❖ The library was financially sound in 2018
- ❖ New LED lights were installed and after only the first two months, there's been a significant reduction in the electric bill
- ❖ Looking forward to the Turning Out program in 2019 which will have the library and community connecting to learn more about what the community's aspirations are.

Volunteer Recognition

Carol Ewing recognized volunteers

- ❖ 45 total volunteers; range in age from 10 up
- ❖ Estimated \$10,000-\$11,000 savings to the library as result of the work volunteers do
- ❖ Recognized new volunteers with token of appreciation butterfly keychain with the library logo

Staff Recognition

Recognized for years of service

1 year Roz Goldfarb
 1 year Leslie Dillon
 5 years Karen Mowbray

New Business:

Trustee Appointments, nominations and vote for officers

Bitsy Scigliano, President

Karen Madden, Vice President

Beth Ferguson, Treasurer

Lynn Brickman, Secretary

Kate Monroe made a motion to approve the slate, Breda Huvane seconded, approved unanimously

Public Comment:

Irene Dugan Thanked the Board of Trustees for their work in 2018.

Adjourn Meeting:

At 2:40 motion by Bitsy Scigliano, seconded by Breda Huvane to adjourn, approved unanimously

Respectfully submitted by Karen Madden, acting secretary