Orange Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting
   Thursday July 11, 2024

Meeting was called to order at 6:33 pm

Roll Call:
President-
Vice President- Johnathan Beckford- Present
Trustee- David McKnight- Present
Secretary- Theresa Mason- Present
Mayors Alternate- Louis Copeland-Present
Karen Harris- Absent
Attorney- Dan Smith- Present
April Cruz- Present
Alice- Present

Public Participation – Karen Wells

Karen Wells- Why is the public participation at the top of the agenda? I use to be on the board. Appointing to trustee to the foundation, did that change, where you appoint people
David- we have no dealings with that. When I was on the board we use to get annual payment $200, 00
Louis- we completed the audit and there is no $200, 00 in the audit from 2012 nothing. Ms. Wells do you how much money was in there?
David- We don't know nothing
Karen Wells- I visit W Orange, Montclair and South Orange programs and there are no programs here
Louis- Ms. McMillian did you speak with those people? Ms. McMillian is the acting director
Louis- the painting in the children room has begun now, the color chart _____, and the trim paint will come in next week should be done next, we will price new furniture, children program will begin next week, library staff will read books to children.

Paint for hallway, out door and hall the blue paint will be painted again, grey all the way up the steps until end of hall

Johnathan- are the ceiling being done?
Louis- we will have to go out to bid, tonight we will pass resolution to get estimate to get that done
David- do we talk to Mike from Carrier
Louis- Mike from Carrier will begin in the next couple weeks
David- let's ask if they going to disassemble units the day before with Carrier
Louis- he did ask roofing company for their information
David- how many days of down time because its 90degrees outside. We need to know if we need to keep the library open
Louis- I will try to get it done on a Saturday
David- ask to see if they can do it all in one day

Johnathan- can that all be done in the same day
Louis- that's everything about HVAC
Louis- art committee, they talked about a pop up shop and events, library will host an annual event. The goal is to work on that the end of August before Labor Day, we encourage parents to bring their kids, history _____ working on that once a year
Johnathan- there's a lot of historic sites in Orange
Karen Wells- we been trying to get historic _____ for ever
Louis- we can see if we can get something supplemental, grant has already been done
Johnathan- _____ first African congressman lived in Orange
Karen Wells- history here is amazing
Karen Wells- I would like to work on that, I donated $30,000
Louis- ok, we look forward to you, committee meets in August
Johnathan- Renee is asking about dates
Johnathan- do we have minutes
David- was here on issues
Ms. Cruz- they have to be review

Committee report

$66,082.87
Main acct- $46,579.52
Payroll was higher than normal because acting pay for director
Bill list-we have been ahead and its light one more pay period will be $15,000
David- how are we with the audits
Louis- she's taking the ledger and new budget, I believe we will be caught up by the end of the year. We need to go out for power wash tonight, first we will _____ for historic architect
David- what's the cost
Karen Wells- we have 3 in Orange NJ
Louis- we appreciate that, we can't hire a volunteer because we need him to have insurance
Karen Wells- why can't we use him?
David- ok, they can bid
Louis- next preparing for board certification account
David- what about the plans in the front and moving the bathrooms?
Louis- I don't think they will do that
Karen Wells- they won't approve that
Johnathan- what about the front steps
David- well he had that approve and he did have a ramp
Johnathan- the stairs in the front need to be level
Louis- when we do new application it will cover all of that, the grant will cover allof that and a _____ library
David- who's the president now
Louis- Adrianne Wooten
Johnathan- we will get that extra doe
Louis- I don't know, can't answer that
David-