

Avon Public Library BOD Meeting
BOD Room, Avon Public Library
Date: April 17, 2018

Item	Summary					Disposition
Call to order	Meeting was called to order by Carin Salonia at 7:00PM					Quorum = 7
	Attendee	Role	Voting	Present	Absent	Voting Present 10
	Carin Salonia	BOD President	Y	Y		
	Fred Lin	Vice President	Y	Y		
	Vince LoPresti	CFO/Treasurer	Y		Y	
	Betsy Bougere	Secretary	Y	Y		
	Glenn Grube	Library Director	N	Y		
	Peter Anderson	BOD Member	Y	Y		
	Anne Fitzgerald	BOD Member	Y	N	Y	
	Eric Gauvin	BOD Member	Y	Y		
	Dave Howe	BOD Member	Y	Y		
	Amea Mody	BOD Member	Y	Y		
	Jennifer Shufro	BOD Member	Y	Y		
	Joan Reiskin	Friends of AFPL Representative	Y	Y		
	Margaret Tilney	BOD Member	Y	Y		
	Lynn Katz	Co-President, Friends	N		Y	
Review and Approvals						
Review/ Adoption of Agenda	Carin opened with a request for motion to adopt the Agenda for the meeting as distributed. Peter made a motion to accept and 2 nd by Eric. (Approved)					10 Yes
Review/ Approval of March Meeting Minutes	Carin made a request for motion to accept the March Meeting Minutes with edits as discussed. Dave made a motion to accept and 2 nd by Margaret. (Approved)					8 Yes 2 Abstain
Review/ Approval of Treasurer's Report	Due to Vince's absence, Glenn verbally shared a high level and unofficial view of the month and YTD financial results.					No Vote
New Business						
Librarian's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two new history related grants, one from CT Humanities for <i>The Constitution of 1818</i> and the other from The American Library Association and The National Endowment for the Humanities for <i>Revisiting the Founding Era</i>, were awarded to the Avon Library this month. Programs will be created for both in collaboration with the Avon Historical Society and the Senior Center. • The first meeting of the Farmington Valley local history librarians will take place at Avon Library this month. The Avon, Farmington, Canton, and Simsbury Libraries will collaborate to share knowledge and tactics and improve local history services and collections at all locations. • Winter storms forced the library to close March 7 and 13. Power outages knocked out two UPS devices and the public wi-fi network went down on March 28 for several days. An overhaul of the wireless network is scheduled for April. • Members of the Society for Creative Anachronism visited the Amazing Castle™ to demonstrate medieval crafts. • The Board of Directors approved a new Strategic Plan to guide library services for 2018-2022. The Strategic Planning Committee gave input to the "Visual Recording of the Library's Place in the Community", created by artist, Kimberley Dornish. The paper version was posted for the Board to view. An electronic version will be available for the website. • 187 attendees enjoyed the final <i>Sundays at Three</i> concert for the season featuring Avon resident Bill Holloman and his band, the Cartells. The Board gave kudos to Peter who has 					

	<p>produced this extremely successful program for 6 years. He passes the baton to Francine Hunter for the 2019 season with sincere thanks from the Board.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A welcome email has been created to send to new library users with information on the library and a link to the website. • Glenn reviewed a recent discussion with the Avon Chamber of Commerce about potential partnerships with the Library. These discussions will continue to explore options beneficial to all, including a possible presence for the Chamber at a Farmer’s Market. 	No vote
Friends of the Library Report	<p>Joan reported that there are 584 members to date. One more children’s program will be held at the Castle on April 25.</p> <p>On behalf of Friends, Joan praised Peter for his leadership of the highly successful concert series.</p>	No vote
Board Member Terms	<p>Carin shared that the by-laws allow a Board member who has been an officer, to serve on the Board for a third term. As prior officers, Peter and Jennifer accepted the opportunity to stay on the Board for an additional term.</p> <p>Eric will take on the position of Secretary in May 2018. Carin thanked Betsy for her work as Secretary for the last 2 ½ years.</p>	No vote
Old Business		
Budget Updates	<p>Glenn provided an update on the evolving federal and state budget discussions. In May, he will lobby with the CT Library Association in Washington to further educate and inform our representatives. He encouraged Board members to attend the Town Meeting on May 7 in the Senior Center and to vote in the Avon budget referendum, May 16.</p>	No vote
Programming Policy Update	<p>Glenn shared the draft Programming Policy with suggested revisions. The intent is to address policy for programming needs and provide a construct to allow one to raise concerns. Glenn asked the Board to review the draft and provide comments to him before the next meeting.</p>	No vote
Board Basics Training	<p>Dave gave an update on the Association of Connecticut Library Boards – Board Basics Training. He found the content informative and was happy to see that Avon’s Board applies many best practices. He noted a few areas that we might consider in the context of updating the Strategic Plan. He will share the materials with Board members.</p>	No vote
Adjournment	<p>Fred made the motion to adjourn the meeting and 2nd by all. (Approved)</p> <p>Meeting adjourned at 8:25PM per vote.</p>	10 Yes

Respectfully submitted by Betsy Bougere, April 27, 2018