

Old Forge Library  
Board of Trustees  
2023 Annual Meeting

Present: Kate Bartlet, Dave Berkstresser, Judy Ehrensbeck, Kelly Hunkins, Mona Lincoln, Linda Martin, Reed Proper, Joseph Rintrona, Kathy Rivet, Sarah Terpening (via Zoom), and Linda Weal

Absent: Liz Lorentzen

Meeting called to order:  
5:30 PM by Kelly Hunkins

Dave Berkstresser made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the 2022 Annual Meeting, seconded by Linda Martin. The motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report:**

Mona Lincoln reported that we have \$282,546.08 total Operating Funds as of December 2022. Our Reserve Funds total \$116,552.44 and \$39,421.42 in the Designated Fund Accounts which brings the total funds to \$438,421.94. On a motion, made by Linda Martin, seconded by Kate Bartlet, the Board voted to approve the annual treasurer's report.

The treasurer also presented a proposed budget for 2023. Kate Bartlet made a motion to approve the 2023 budget that includes a \$20,000 increase in the tax levy. Linda Martin seconded the motion, and the Board voted to approve the budget.

Kathy Rivet made a motion, seconded by Dave Berkstresser, to have Mona Lincoln write herself a check for \$400 as a token of the Board's appreciation for her work as our treasurer. The motion was approved with one abstention.

**New York State Annual Report:**

Kathy Rivet made a motion to approve the New York State Annual Report, seconded by Reed Proper. The motion was approved. Linda Weal will file the annual report for Public and Association Libraries with the Mid-York Library System for the New York State Department of Education before the due date of February 21, 2023.

**Director's Annual Report:**

Linda presented a copy of her annual report. It lists all of the activities and events that occurred at the library during 2022. The report also reflected the total circulation and use of the library during the year. Linda also included programs and events sponsored by the Friends of the Old Forge Library in this report. Kathy Rivet made a motion, seconded by Reed Proper, to accept the Director's Annual Report as presented. Motion passed. Linda reported how happy she was to work with such a great staff, a great Board, and great patrons. The Board thanked Linda for her efforts and advocacy on behalf of the Old Forge Library, especially serving as a great innovator and leader through this pandemic and keeping the library going through trying times. The Board also thanked Linda for her grant seeking efforts to help support the needs of the library without straining our budget.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:**

The nominating committee brought forth Kelly Hunkins and Linda Martin to renew their terms as Trustees. Their term will expire in 2026. Having no other nominations from the floor, the Secretary cast one vote for the Trustees as nominated.

The nominating committee presented the following slate of officers for consideration:

President: Kelly Hunkins

Vice-president: Dave Berkstresser

Treasurer: Mona Lincoln

Assistant to the treasurer: Kate Bartlet

Corresponding Secretary: Judy Ehrensbeck

Recording Secretary: Judy Ehrensbeck

With no other nominations from the floor, the Secretary cast one vote for the slate of officers as presented. With the election of officers, the Board requires the following individuals be named as signatories on the checking account: President Kelly Hunkins, Treasurer Mona Lincoln, and Assistant to the Treasurer Kate Bartlet

**2023 Annual Committees:**

*Finance:* Mona Lincoln (Chair), Dave Berkstresser, Kelly Hunkins, Don Kelly, Joe Rintrona, Kate Bartlet

*Buildings and Grounds:* Joe Rintrona (Chair), Dave Berkstresser, Don Kelly, Reed Proper, and Butch Hartsig (consultant)

*Friends Liaison:* Kate Bartlet

*Fund Appeal:* Judy Ehrensbeck (Chair), Liz Lorentzsen, Linda Martin, and Kathy Rivet

*Nominating Committee:* (Chair) Kathy Rivet, Joseph Rintrona, and Sarah Terpening

*Ad Hoc By-laws and Policies Review Committee:* Kate Bartlet, Judy Ehrensbeck, Liz Lorentzsen, and Don Kelly

**2023 Non-Board Committees:**

*Book Selection:* Kelly Hunkins, Mary Ellen Denio, Debbie Denio, Sara Terpening, Donna Zuckert, Linda Martin, Beth Pashley, Karen Lee, Bev Meeker, Chris Widay, Sarah Bolton, and Linda Weal

*Publicity/Outreach:* Beth Pashley

With no further business to come before the Board of Trustees, the meeting was adjourned at 6:18 PM on a motion made by Mona Lincoln, seconded by Kathy Rivet. The motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,  
Judy Ehrensbeck  
Recording Secretary  
February 9, 2023