

Berkley Public Library Board Meeting Minutes 18 September 2019

Present: Matt Church, Library Director; Rita Van Brandeghen, Chairperson; Carol Hermann, Amanda Rhoda, and Mary Jo Armstrong, Board Members; Eileen Steadman, City Council liaison.

Meeting convened 7:05 p.m.

There were no public comments.

Minutes from 17 July 2019 meeting were approved.

Librarian's Report:

The Library Director presented his reports for July and August on programs, technology, maintenance, and the summer reading program. Highlights of the report include:

- Internationally known artist David Zinn painted a mini-mural on one of the outdoor columns at the library. Special thanks to the support of the Friends of the Berkley Library for making this possible.
- Programs were plentiful and well attended in July and August.
- The front entrance vestibule flooring was replaced.
- The library now has a color printer available for patron use and is attached to our public computers. Cost of the color printing is 75 cents per page.
- The Summer Reading Program was a success. Sponsors were recognized by City Council and a thank you flyer naming our sponsors will be coming out soon.

Old Business:

- July circulation numbers, gate count, computer assistance and sessions were all up over July of last year.
- August circulation numbers, computer assistance and library card issuance were all up over August of last year.

New Business:

- Banned Books Week will begin the week of September 22nd.

Update from City Council Liason:

- Eileen reiterated that City Council has decided to delay a decision on number and placement of marijuana dispensaries until after the State of Michigan is able to provide further clarity on the matter.

Other Matters

There were no other matters discussed.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Next meeting – 7 p.m., Wednesday, 16 October 2019

Respectfully Submitted,

Carol Hermann