

**Daniel Pierce Library**  
**Board of Trustees Meeting**  
August 21, 2024

A meeting of the Trustees of the Daniel Pierce Library was called to order at 7:05 pm with Vice President Dave Schneyer presiding. Other Trustees present were Cathy Coombe, Pat Doogan, Mike Schiffer, Leanore Egan and Bill Richardson. Also present was Library Director, Elizabeth Wolpert and Finance Manager, Cathy Russo.

**Public Comments:** None.

**Secretary's Report:** The minutes of the July 17, 2024 meeting were reviewed and approved as presented.

**Correspondence:** L Egan read a thank you letter from Joann Gallagher for the 125th Anniversary celebration. She read a thank you note from Amy Hines, wife of Dave Forshea, a thank you note from Bob Eddings; and a thank you note from members of the Class of 1962 for use of the Reading Room.

**Financial Reports:** The Board reviewed the financial statements for July. The Balance sheet figures were otherwise little changed from the previous report. A donation check from the DPL Building Foundation was received, for use of building maintenance. The various fundraising efforts, including Boujee Bingo, added greatly to income for the month. Expenses were within normal ranges. It was moved by P Doogan and seconded by L Egan to accept the financial statements for July. Motion carried.

**Director's Report:** Director Beth Wolpert presented the Director's Report for July into August. The report covered various areas including Facilities, Programming, Staff, Fundraising, and Events. Two Little Free Lending Libraries (LFL) were installed at River Valley Estates and stocked with books. The residents are appreciative of the program. The new ILS integrated software program was installed, and staff have been trained. The NYS Construction Grant application for solar was submitted. Programs including the Entertainment Night were fully attended.

C. Russo presented a report on fundraising activities from the Grahamsville Fair. These included raffle ticket sales, book sales and Strawberry shortcake sales. Net income was \$4111.

B Wolpert presented the 2025 schedule of days closed. She also introduced new adult programs planned for the rest of the year and into 2025

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:**

Dave thanked Beth for bringing her stepson to the Fair to help out. He made a suggestion to invite Dynamite Youth Center to send youth to assist with fair setup and take down.

There was discussion about how to promote the GPP by way of live broadcast by a local radio station, or having community youth do Facebook Livestream.

**Committee Updates:**

Giant Pumpkin Party: Cathy updated the board on GPP organization process to date.

It was moved to adjourn the meeting. Moved by C Coombe and seconded by M Schiffer. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Coombe, Secretary