

Mr. Klang told the Board that the basement re-organization is still underway and thanked the custodial staff, and Mr. Ciampa who was in attendance. The pod, at the rear of the Library, will remain for another month.

BASEMENT RE-ORGANIZATION

Mr. Klang requested the Board's approval for the voluntary Deferred Compensation Plan benefit for employees. This is a tax deferred plan. Mr. Keller motioned to approve. Ms. Vasa seconded. All agreed.

DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN

Mr. Klang noted the rebate check received from PSEG LI for the variable frequency drives that were installed as part of the Library's plan to reduce its carbon footprint and lower its emissions. Ms. Bridges requested that the public be made aware of this initiative.

PSEG LI REBATE

Mr. Klang requested the Board approve the Excess Equipment List for December 2021 which contains many unusable and broken items from the basement re-organization. Mr. Klang will make every effort to re-purpose items that local schools or organizations could use. Ms. Comer motioned to approve. All agreed.

EXCESS EQUIPMENT LIST

Ms. Bridges announced that the Budget Committee Meeting will be held on January 5, 2021 at 7:00 pm and confirmed that it was on the Library calendar.

BUDGET COMMITTEE MEETING

Ms. Bridges reported that Mr. Keller was installed as the Area 7 Board representative at the Nassau Library System's Annual Meeting on December 8, 2021. The presentation given by Ms. Nicole Scherer and Mr. Robert Drake about the state of Nassau Libraries was informative and the trustees requested the slides from the presentation be forwarded to those unable to attend.

NLS ANNUAL MEETING

Ms. Bridges reviewed the Election Timeline noting nominating petitions would be available February 1, 2022 and are due back on March 14, 2022. Ms. Bridges trustee position is up for re-election on April 12, 2022 along with the Budget Vote.

ELECTION TIMELINE

Ms. Bridges stated that Library Advocacy Day is March 2, 2022 and will take place virtually. More information will follow.

ADVOCACY DAY

Mr. Hutter reviewed in-person services. Hybrid events are taking place on site and via Zoom for Children's Services, ESOL classes, and Adult programming. Media films will begin again soon, as well as the Ed Foundation after school program. Books for Dessert continues with in-person meetings. Meeting spaces will be opened for residents and local organizations beginning January 3, 2022 with an agreement to follow all safety protocols.

IN-PERSON SERVICES UPDATE

Ms. Bridges noted the Children’s Advisory Council meeting minutes dated November 2, 2021.

CAC MINUTES

Ms. Bridges noted the Friends of the Library Minutes of November 10, 2021. A question was posed to Mr. Klang regarding the Bogen fund. He will confirm his response with the Friends of the Library prior to the next Board meeting.

FOL MINUTES

Ms. Bridges noted the email sent by Ms. Sandman and November 2021 Patron Comments containing complimentary comments for many staff members.

CORRESPONDENCE

Ms. Bridges requested a motion to approve a donation from Mr. Stern to be used for the purchase of books. Ms. Vasa motioned to approve. All agreed.

DONATION

Ms. Garza introduced herself to the Board as the Staff Association representative for this month and attended the meeting virtually via Zoom.

STAFF ASSOCIATION

There were no public comments.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

A discussion about NLS’ plans to roll out a van to help bridge the digital divide ensued. The Digital Inclusion Van will launch in 2022 and the Library will request it be brought to Port Washington for our residents.

NLS DIGITAL INCLUSION VAN

Ms. Bridges requested a motion to adjourn. Mr. Krevor motioned. All agreed.

ADJOURNMENT