In Attendance:
E. Agresto Y
D. Bertino Y
D. Blair Y
S. Carew N
K. Cooper Y
J. Galbraith Y
L. Gallo Y
C. Joyce Y
B. Lemaire Y
G. Walton Y

Guests: John O’Meara and Joanne Caffrey from MFLA (Friends)

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM by Mr. Galbraith
Mr. Galbraith welcomed the two newest members of the Library Board: Deanne Bertino and Lynne Gallo, as well as guests John O’Meara and Joanne Caffrey

I Open Public Meetings Act Statement
“Notice of this meeting has been provided in accordance with the Open Public Meetings Act” by:
1. Posting a notice on the bulletin board at the Library & Municipal complex
2. Emailing Sunshine Law Notice to the Courier Post and Township Clerk
3. Posting on the Library Board web page

All of the above posting, filing and mailing having taken place on the 27th day of January 2015.

II Introductions, Welcome, Swearing in of new Board members, nominations and elections of Trustee Officers for 2015.
A. President
A motion was made to nominate Glen Walton for Board President

Moved by: Mr. Agresto  Second: Ms Cooper  Vote: 7-0 to elect

B. Secretary
A motion was made to nominate Deborah Blair as Board Secretary
Moved by: Mr. Walton  Second: Ms Lemaire  Vote 7-0 to elect

C. Treasurer
A motion was made to nominate Ernest Agresto for Board Treasurer
Moved by: Ms. Blair  Second: Ms Cooper  Vote: 7-0 to elect

At this point, Mr. Galbraith returned meeting facilitation to Mr. Walton

III  Public Comment

John O’Meara and Joanne Caffrey of MFLA made a brief presentation to the board. They encouraged membership with the Friends. They passed out copies of their activities for 2014, including their approved 2015 budget for additional library support in the amount of $40,000.00.

Mr. O’Meara discussed possible scenarios for the resumption of book sales of donated books. Ms. Blair asked how they would control the quality and inflow of donated material. Ms. Caffrey then responded that Cherry Hill Library takes in books every day, and instantly recycles the “junk”. Mt. Laurel Library has a large recycle container that is filled and emptied every week. People must be willing to sort material continuously.

Ms Gallo thanked the Friends for all that they do. She asked how many members the group has. Same was answered: 250-300 current members

Ms Gallo also mentioned that online book sales are a great idea.

IV  Meeting Minutes

Regular Meeting, December 17, 2014
A motion was made to approve the December 17, 2014 meeting minutes.
Moved by: Mr. Agresto  Second: Ms Blair  Vote: 6-0 to approve, with abstention by 2 newest members, Ms Bertino and Ms Gallo

V  Financial Discussions

A. Monthly Financial Statements
   a. Cash Receipts
   b. Cash Disbursement Analysis Report
   c. December Year End Budget Statement
   d. Sept/Oct 2014 receipts and disbursements

Mr Agresto reviewed the presented financial documents and answered questions about same.
A motion was made to approve the monthly financial statements.
Moved by: Ms. Blair   Second: Mr. Walton   Vote: 8-0 to approve as presented

VI  Director’s Report  
Mr. Galbraith’s Directors report for Dec 2014 consists of matters pertaining to personnel, which will be discussed in closed session

VII  Old Business

VIII  New Business/Trustee Comments

A. 2015 proposed budget  
2015 operating budget will be presented in closed session

IX  Public Comment  
There being none, the floor was closed

X  Closed Session

For purposes of discussing matters relating to personnel  
A motion was made to enter into closed executive session  
Moved: Ms. Cooper   Second: Ms. Blair   Vote: 8-0

While in closed session, Mr. Walton explained the process by which the budget and salary adjustment proposals were created.

Mr. Agresto explained how the salary recommendations for some employees were determined.

Mr. Walton cautioned that the library appropriation from the twp could go up, or, it could go down again.

A motion was made to exit closed executive session and return to the public portion of the meeting  
Moved: Ms. Lemaire   Second:   Vote: vote 8-0

A motion was made to approve proposed salary adjustments and proposed operating budget for 2015  
Moved: Ms. Cooper   Second: Mr. Agresto   Vote: 8-0 to approve

XI  Adjournment  
A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 8:20 PM.  
Moved by: Mr. Agresto   Second: Ms. Blair   Vote: 8-0 to adjourn

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees is February 25, 2015 at 7 pm