

117<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL MEETING  
of the  
Swan Library Association  
May 1, 2017

“Pursuant to Article III, Section 4 of its by-laws, this being the first Monday in May, I call the 117<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Hoag Library of the Swan Library Association to order. The time is 12 noon, Eastern Daylight Time.

This year there are 4 vacancies for the office of Trustee, one full, 4 year term, and 3 partial terms. There are 6 candidates on the ballot. Nominations from the floor of the Annual Meeting are not accepted. The biographies of the candidates, some of whom are incumbent Trustees, can be found on the Library website at [www.hoaglibrary.org](http://www.hoaglibrary.org)

At the regular February meeting of the Library Trustees, it was determined that this election and Annual Meeting will follow the format originally adopted March 12, 2008 and successfully used at Annual Meetings thereafter.

Election shall be by paper ballots, submitted by qualified members of the Association from this point until 7 PM this evening. At 7 PM, those qualified voters either registered or in a definite position to register will be allowed to cast ballots, but subsequent voters will be turned away. Qualified members of the Association must be 18 years of age and have lived in the service area of the Library for at least 30 days on the day of the Annual Meeting.

The successful candidates will fill the vacancies based on the number of votes received: the individual receiving the highest number of votes will win the 4 year term, the individual with the next highest number of votes will win the 3 year term, and so forth.

Each potential voter will register and receive a blank ballot. A ballot will be considered valid if it contains marks voting for 1, 2, 3, or 4 nominees. A ballot which contains no selection, or one with more than 4 selections, will be considered invalid. A voter who has spoiled a ballot in any way can ask for a clean ballot up until the time the ballot is cast.

Are there any questions?

At this time, I declare this Annual Meeting in recess until a time certain to allow for the casting of ballots. This meeting will reconvene at this same place at 7PM this evening for the purpose of receiving various reports and conducting the necessary business of the Association. There will be a power point highlighting the Library's successes since the last Annual Meeting, and cookies!

The following members of the Association were in attendance:

Kevin Doherty, Terry Wilbert, Betty Sue Miller, Barb Kyler, Gloria Nauden and Catherine Moore

Pursuant to Article III, Section 4 of the By-Laws, and this being the first Monday in May, Kevin Doherty, Trustee President, called the 117<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Swan Library Association to order at 19:00.

**Attendance:** Kevin Doherty, Carol Miller, Terry Wilbert, Barb Kyler, Eddie English, Rose English, Gloria Nauden, Carole Patterson, Anitrice Bennett, Tom Rivers, Angel Slick, Angela English, Betty Sue Miller.

Motion to read 2016 Annual minutes made by Carol Patterson and seconded by Terry Wilbert. All in favor. Accepted.

**Welcoming Remarks:** President Kevin Doherty welcomed all in attendance and introduced members of the board that were present. Update on Solar Panels, we continue to reduce demand, and we have decreased the electric delivery. We are still waiting on the Kiosk. This year due to many donations and a bequest, we do not need to increase the Tax levy. Noted that salaries are the biggest part of our budget. Kevin spoke with regards to the challenges of the past year, and our renewed efforts to provide the best services for the community.

**Directors Report:** Given by Betty Sue Miller

This year Betty Sue did a power point presentation about the highlights of the past year. Betty Sue showed slides of various events such as the rededication of the Children's Library thanks to the donation made by Dale Blissett in Memory of his Mother, he also donated a roll top children's desk. Maurice and Courtney Hoag sent another large \$100,000 donation this year. We also continue to receive yearly donations in Memory of Kathryn Mahaney Kerrigan by her husband Edward Schlenk and various other donations throughout the year. This year we received an anonymous donation to help fund our Shut-In program. We also received \$50,000 from the Elio D'Andrea estate, who was the mayor elect trustee on the board for many years.

Many volunteers help keep us moving along, Bill Lattin who waters and winds weekly and donated many vases to the library. Neighbor Don Trappis helped with keeping our lawn green in 2016 by watering for us. Our weekly volunteers, Ken Mart, Debbie Barlow, Carol Mayer, Louise Henderson, Joyce Riley and Marianne Aarons, Thank you to all.

Friends Group handle the bookstore with staff helping when the store is not manned and someone would like to go in. Friends help sponsor and pay for programs and did their annual Tasty Treats. Presently planning and working on a new sign out front that will greatly help with our advertising.

Matthew Flanagan built the library 3 picnic tables that are out in the children's garden. Matt did this for his Eagle Scout Project.

We sponsor on a regular basis programs such as: Tea with Dee; Delia Robinson, TABOOH; Neil Johnson, though Neil has been ill this year, and Family Tree Friday by Hollis Ricci-Canham, Ian Mowatt, and Betty Hales.

Co-sponsored programs: Bindings Book Club, Breast Cancer Support, AARP, Alzheimer's Support, Popcorn and Paperbacks.

Community Service – flu shots (vote and vac), Vision testing by the Lions Club, Community Action with the Back Pack give away.

Statistics: 4 Deliveries from NIOGA each week; 1167 downloaded through overdrive, 5921 items loaned to other libraries, 10,011 items borrowed, 10,239 patrons, 90,744 total circulation.

Recognized staff: Charlene Bloom – Library Assistant and Shut-in program, Cheryl Mowatt, - Reference Librarian and Local History, Sue Davis –Library Assistant, weekly calendars and display case, Dee Robinson – Reference Librarian and Local History, Carol and Louise – Part-time work as subs and volunteers, Patty Good – Sub, Dirk Climenhaga – Library Assistant and 3-D go to guy, Alisha Stanton worked 2 years for job development, graduated early and we hired as Library Assistant, Wendy Peters – Library Assistant and our go to person on how things should be done, Nicole Struble – Youth Services,

Adrienne Kirby – makes suggestions on books to order & does weeding and inventory, and Barb Kyler – Betty Sue’s Assistant works in the office with finances and all things needed to run library efficiently.

## **ELECTIONS**

90 Ballots Cast

Gloria Nauden – 77 - 4 year term

Anatrice Bennett – 50 - 3 year term

Rose English – 45 - 2 year term

Terry Wilbert – 41 - 1 year term

Debbie DiBacco – 26

Angel Slick - 25

NEW BUSINESS: None at this time.

Upcoming Dates:

School Board Vote May 16, 2017

20:07 Motion to adjourn made by Gloria Nauden and seconded by Carol Patterson. All in favor.  
Accepted.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Kyler  
Assistant to the Director

For: Karie Deegan  
Board of Trustees, Secretary