

**Quince Orchard Library
LAC Meeting Minutes
April 17, 2018**

- Members in attendance included Linda Raden (chair) and Kathy Torg, as well as QO Manager Jim Stewart and Library Board Liaison Toni Negro.
- The meeting was called to order and the minutes of the 2/20/18 meeting were approved as written.
- Jim Stewart indicated that the Library looks great. He described the process that took place after the refresh. All of the books are now back out in circulation or available to circulate after the refresh. A percentage of the books had temporarily been kept on carts or boxed until space was created for them on the shelves by the circulation of materials.
- Jim Stewart indicated that a test of the library's emergency evacuation plan will take place before June.
- Discussion of various ideas to benefit the community/library commenced:
 - Linda Raden indicated that there was a need for a place for Seniors to meet, and that the current Senior Center was not able meet the needs. She asked if it were possible to obtain tables that could be used in the meeting rooms for events for seniors and other groups, such as a game night. Mr Stewart indicated that he would reach out to the Friends of the Library and Ms. Raden and Ms. Torg would look into donations of tables and games. The need for volunteers to manage the space for events was also discussed.
 - Two ideas for community input were discussed. A bulletin board and/or a suggestion box for receiving programming ideas which would be located in the library. Mr. Stewart suggested that if a box were established, it could be utilized for programming ideas that people would enjoy doing; also, possibly for suggesting speakers or activities. Ms Raden and Ms. Torg will work on a prototype of the box which will be submitted to Mr. Stewart for approval or for further discussion.
 - A question was raised about the possibility of there being a young person on the LAC committee to connect with the younger demographics. There has been a young person on the committee in the past so it is definitely possible. They might be able to receive service learning hours.
- Ms Negro reports that the Library board spent March revising the LAC handbook and in April it is being reviewed by the County Attorney. Hopefully by the next meeting (Tuesday, June 19) it will be printed and given to the LAC groups. Going forward it will be reviewed annually. She also reported that on Monday, April 2nd, the White Oak Library reopened after its refresh and that on Saturday, April 14th, the Bethesda branch reopened after its refresh and was renamed Connie Morella. Ms. Negro also reminded the group that MCPL programs are listed on the MCPL website.
- The FY19 operating budget has been released. It represents a .32% increase over FY18.

○ Montgomery County has an interim director for libraries. We will not have a new director until after the November election for County Executive. To this end, all LAC/FOL members are encouraged to attend candidate forums to ask those running:

- How they would go about hiring for the position
- What they see as important for the position
- What is their level of support for the MC Library system

The meeting was concluded.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 19th at 7:00 PM at the Quince Orchard Library.