

**Record of Proceedings:
West Chester Township Board of Trustees
Work Session – Library Expansion**

April 27, 2021

Convene: Chairperson Wong convened the meeting at 4:00p.m.
Roll Call: Mr. Wong, Mr. Welch, and Mrs. Becker responded.

Mr. Burks thanked several members of the MidPointe Library system, Travis Bautz, Executive Director, and Amy Young, West Chester Branch Manager.

Mrs. Becker gave a statement about how we got to this point since the closing of the Senior Center on Cox Road. She said this meeting is merely to discuss feasibility.

Presentations

MidPoint Library System Executive Director Travis Bautz introduced members of the library staff who were in attendance: Amy Young, West Chester Branch Manager, Brielle Maynor, Public Services Director, Cari Hillman, Community Engagement Director, as well as Board Members Anita Shew and Kristin Bramblett. Mr. Bautz gave background information on the library and its program offerings. He also provided PowerPoint information suggesting where the library could be expanded, noting its benefits and drawbacks. He also identified an area within the library that could be renovated so as to address gathering space needs, noting its benefits. Amy Young presented data noting usage at the library. She identified the library's collaboration with community and regional organizations. Brielle Maynor discussed programming in their system. Cari Hillman spoke to the benefits of renovating and redefining areas in the library and related programming. Brenda Yablonski, Executive Director of Edge Teen Center, spoke about providing meeting space and programs for teens, grades 9 through 12, who attend Lakota West High School. She spoke about having an opportunity to collaborate with seniors in the community.

Mr. Bautz then entertained many questions from the Trustees.

Members of the audience then asked questions and commented on the presentation.

Adjournment

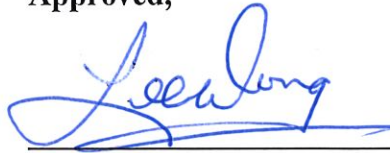
Mr. Wong declared the Work Session adjourned at 5:02.

Respectfully Submitted,



Bruce Jones, Fiscal Officer

Approved,



Lee Wong, Chairperson