



Library Board of Trustees

Minutes of Regular Meeting Thursday, November 10th, 2022

Trustees Present: Michele Merritt, Jessica Buberl, Jeromy Buberl, Betsy Kremser, Arvid Maki, Ron Johnson, Amanda Wicklund

Also present: Barb, Representative for Friends of the Library

President Jessica Buberl **called the meeting to order** at 5:33 p.m.

Approval of Agenda:

Motion to approve the agenda by Michele. Seconded by Jeromy. Motion carried unanimously.

Approval of October 13th Minutes:

A motion to approve the **minutes for the October regular meeting** by Betsy and seconded by Arvid. Carried unanimously.

Citizens' Comments:

Friends of the Library expressed concern about the lack of blue directional signs on Hwy 35 and how to get this changed. Shelby indicated that this needs to be a collaborative effort with the village. There was also discussion regarding what to call the building for clearest communication. The Friends also requested that the minutes for Friends of the Library be posted and updated on the website.

A lot of people have expressed comments about how nice it has been to have the fax machine. However, it has been down for the past few days.

Director's Report:

Freindshuh has been back for a full month and expressed that she feels energized about making small changes such as rearranging furniture, organizing workspaces, making changes to the children's area, and making additional progress with the library budget. Circulation numbers remain positive, coming close to the pre-pandemic level. Monthly book clubs are very successful, with additional patrons attending. Children's programming has been very well attended. In addition, a display is now in place to showcase the work of the local quilters. Mr. Licky has been battling a respiratory infection.

Monthly Financials:

Jeromy made a motion to approve the monthly financial results, seconded by Arvid. Carried unanimously.

Audit and Approved Bills: Motion to pay the bills by Betsy, second by Ron. Carried unanimously.



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Old Business

Friendshuh offered an update regarding our Pioneer Press subscription. Sheri Hanson, a Friend of the Library, has generously offered to pay for our annual subscription. Friendshuh will call and see if the subscription price can be reduced. Book bike update: the new estimate is that the bike will be finished by the end of the year. Discussion regarding various scenarios for addressing staff wages for the upcoming year. Friendshuh plans to gather more information to present to the board next month.

Employment Compensation:

Jeromy made a motion to go into closed session, seconded by Michele. Roll call vote, motion carried unanimously. Board entered closed session at 6:22.

Jeromy made a motion to exit closed session, seconded by Betsy. Roll call vote, motion carried unanimously. Board exited closed session at 6:38.

A motion was made to create a position of Office Management Assistant as presented with amendment to IIIA. Motion seconded by Michele.

A motion was made by Arvid to grant a \$1 per hour increase to the current Office Management Assistant, Dawn Tracy, for the purpose of adult programming. Motion seconded by Amanda.

Next regularly scheduled meeting: Dec 8, 2022

Meeting Adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Amanda Wicklund, Library Board Secretary