

LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES
Monday, November 14, 2022
(Held in person and via Zoom)

Present: Decker, Howard, McDonald, Solberg, Wepking, Murphy, Noel, McSherry
Via Zoom: Vanderloo, Weber
Absent: Zimmerman

Vanderloo called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m. and there being no objections, declared the meeting duly posted. The agenda for this meeting was declared approved and the October minutes were approved and emailed to members. There were no objections.

Public Comment: None

Old Business

- A. Special Collections: Discussed the status of the Humor collection. It has been boxed for 5 years. There was some interest initially, but nothing for 5 years. Discussed the possibility of going through the items to see if we could save enough items for a shelf. We would like to get in touch with the family regarding the collection and it was mentioned that Mike Reilly could be a good contact person. Decided to go through the items, contact family and then follow our collection policy. Motion by Decker to begin weeding process of the humor collection, second by Wepking, motion carried.
- B. Ridgeway Update: Ridgeway Library has reopened. Tracy Gross is the story teller and craft person on Mondays. The Iowa County grant will cover the 2023 Summer Reading Program for Ridgeway.
- C. Collection Development Update: Weeding of the Adult collection is now completed. Carol G. has started weeding the Children's collection. Baker and Taylor have discontinued the free boxes for books-but we still have free shipping. In regards to the new building Angela said we will need more shelving.
- D. Board Seat Opening: Posted form for interest in the Board. There has been 1 patron that showed interest. Ann McDonald said her last meeting will be the December meeting. We will need 2 new members. Paul Weber will put a notice in the monthly school newsletter for staff and the community to see.
- E. 2023 Budget Update: Angela said everything is on track.
- F. Building Project Next Steps: Angela asked the City about their progress. There has been more communication about the Armory building. She asked for a timeline that the City would need for moving. The resolution that we had written should be signed in January for publication. Something to keep in mind: Jody Sweeney is the fundraiser contact that we have used before. Libraries are her favorite projects-we could use her again.

New Business

- A. Request for Reconsideration Form Review: Angela included a form for us to view that we have for reconsideration of library materials. One thing to consider is has the item won an award. We must make sure that we control the process of reconsideration of materials. Wisconsin law gives exclusive control to library boards for reconsideration. Decker made a motion to set a distance restriction of Iowa County for submitting a request for reconsideration of library materials. Second by Wepking. All in favor. Motion passed.

- B. Library Board Bylaws: 2002 is the date of the last bylaws. We will table discussion until next meeting.
- C. Friends of Library Update: Home for the Holidays is November 26th. Carol M. said there will be a quilt silent auction at Cobblestone. New quilts will be featured every week. The Annex will have an open house from noon to 7:00 p.m. Refreshments, crafts, and story time. There will be music from 3:00-6:00 p.m. with Shekinah King. Funding from The United Fund of Iowa County and the Friends. 6:00 pm parade-line up at the main library.

Library Directors Report: Details included in email. Includes director activity highlights, collection development, and programming. No items for building/facilities or technology at this time. Discussed hour changes for the library. Some possibilities include opening Saturdays 9:00-1:00, opening at 9:00 every day, staying open until 7:00. Discuss further at next meeting.

Treasurers Report: Marine Credit Union Foundation account: \$19,762.49. Jesse will email the current amounts of the other accounts.

Acceptance of monthly bills: Decker moved to accept the monthly bills, second by McSherry. All in favor. Motion passed.

Concerns and comments of the Board: Comments about the Postcard group. About 5-8 people meet at the Annex on Wednesdays alternating with Mineral Point library. They write postcards to elected officials about different items and also write thank you's to members of the community. They also write notes to candidates for participating in elections.

Future Agenda Items: Bylaws, Patrons who have very old lost materials, and finalize budget.

Upcoming Meeting: Library Board of Trustees-December 12, 2022 at 5:00 pm (this is a tentative meeting date-will update if date doesn't work for Jesse and Ann for a post meeting social gathering)

Meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Kari McSherry.