

108 East Railroad Street St. Johns, Michigan 48879 Minutes for Regular Meeting April 13, 2023 at 6:00pm

## I. Call to Order

- A. Skorna called the meeting to order at 6:00pm
- B. Members present: Kimberly Skorna, Chair; Rebecca Daman, Vice Chair; Jean Ruestman, Treasurer; Renae Larsen, Secretary; Kendel Darragh, Trustee; Kimberly Keys-Kellogg, Trustee
- C. Members absent: Brad Jorae
- D. Others present: Sara Morrison, Director; Brett Harger, Assistant Director; Kate Van Auken, Director White Pine Library Cooperative
- II. Oath of Office
  - A. Harger administered the Oath of Office to Darragh and Keys-Kellogg
- III. Welcome New Board Members
  - A. Board Members welcomed and introduced themselves to new Trustees
- IV. Consent Agenda
  - A. Approval of Minutes of the March 9, 2023 Regular Meeting
  - B. Approval of Revenue/Expenditure Report
  - C. Approval of Bills Paid in the Amount of \$51,929.95
  - D. Daman moved to approve the Consent Agenda; supported by Ruestman; motion carried unanimously
- V. Approval of Agenda
  - A. Daman requested National Library Week/library staff appreciation be added to the agenda under Unfinished Business
  - B. Ruestman moved to approve the agenda as amended; supported by Keys-Kellogg; motion carried unanimously
- VI. Library Board Training: Kate Van Auken, Director White Pine Library Cooperative
  - A. Van Auken presented training materials on the role and authority of the Library Board, the roles of the Library Director and staff, and the Open Meetings Act
- VII. Limited Public Comment (Please limit your comments to three (3) minutes in duration)
  - A. No public comment
- VIII. Reports
  - A. Facility Committee
    - 1. Larsen reported the gutters are scheduled to be cleaned on Sunday
    - 2. Williams Asphalt has been contacted and will seal the staff parking lot
    - 3. Larsen will contact Michigan Graphics and Signs regarding the sign on the front of the building

- B. Executive Committee
  - 1. Members met with Morrison for her evaluation
  - 2. Committee is coming up with procedures and a consistent evaluation form for Board approval
- C. Fundraising Committee
  - 1. Daman has been in contact with OneCause regarding their online auction software
    - a. Software comes with 1 year subscription that allows multiple events
      - i. Daman will reconnect with OneCause in May to determine the best time to start the subscription
- IX. Unfinished Business
  - A. Other National Library Week/Staff Appreciation
    - 1. Members discussed bringing snacks, cards, and other items to show their appreciation to library staff during National Library Week (April 24-28)
- X. New Business
  - A. Draft of 2023-2024 Budget
    - 1. Morrison included wage increase for part-time staff
      - a. Increase will keep wages in line with other local businesses
    - 2. Ruestman presented 2 options for wage increases for full-time staff to Board
      - a. Daman moved to select the option that includes a 5% increase for full-time staff; supported by Darragh; motion carried unanimously
  - B. Facility Improvement Quote
    - 1. Morrison presented quotes for pouring a concrete slab under the dumpster with and without rebuilding the curb, burying a downspout in front of the library, removing carpet and resurfacing the front porch
      - a. Members decided rebuilding the curb is unnecessary since there is not one presently
      - b. Larsen will get another quote for burying the downspout
      - c. Ruestman moved to approve the quotes for removing the carpet and resurfacing the front porch and pouring a concrete slab under the dumpster without rebuilding the curb; supported by Darragh; motion carried unanimously
  - C. Director's Evaluation
    - 1. Executive Committee presented Morrison's evaluation
    - 2. Ruestman moved to accept and approve the evaluation; supported by Larsen
  - D. Other
    - 1. No other new business discussed
- XI. Director's Report
- XII. Trustee Comments
  - A. Darragh recommended reading the two articles about book challenges Morrison included in her Director's Report
- XIII. Adjournment
  - A. Ruestman moved to adjourn; supported by Daman

1. Meeting adjourned at 8:27pm

## Next Regular Meeting: Thursday, May 11, 2023 – will include 2023-2024 Budget Hearing

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