



MORRIS AREA PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOOKS FOR ALL

Morris Area Public Library
June 13, 2022
Board of Trustees General Meeting Minutes
6:30 pm
Morris Area Public Library Conference Room

Minutes-

1. Call to Order at 6:30 P.M.
2. Roll Call- Anderson, Cummings, Davy, Dergo, Keavney, Minett, and Porth present. Also present were Library Director Mai and guests: Burton and Christensen.
3. Review of the Agenda for Additions/Changes.
 - a. There will be an executive session 6a, after the Director's Report.
4. Correspondence, Communications, and Public Comment
 - a. None
5. A motion was made to approve the Board Meeting Minutes from the May 9th regular meeting. Anderson moved to approve meeting minutes and Cummings seconded. Approved 7-0.
6. Director's Report
 - a. The Native plants garden has been planted and is looking lovely. The front of the library has been weeded.
 - b. The library will be working with the Police Department to provide a shooter training community meeting.
 - c. The upcoming bus trip to Chicago on July 23 will be canceled if we do not get more people registered by July 1.
 - d. The program numbers for May looked good.
 - e. The bathrooms should be done soon.
 - f. The new library signs will be up by June 30.
 - g. The library has 3 new part- time staff. Two of the staff are seasonal summer employees.
 - h. Fine free discussion will be tabled until next month.
 - i. The financial advisor suggested that the library opens a new bank account without checking that would store the money to be transferred to the checking account.
 - j. Morris library is going to be a member of Illinois Library Presents. The fee is \$400 for 12 zoom author talks. The library may connect these programs with book clubs. The programs viewed at the library or they may be watched at home.
 - k. Morris Area Public Library received the Digital Navigator Program Grant. This grant is designed to assist members of the community in learning about home connectivity, internet connectivity and the devices that use these. This grant will help the library purchase tablets, and laptops to be used in training patrons on the use of technological devices.
 - l. The library will receive gifts from the following two sources.
 - i. Michael W. Farrell Trust
 - ii. Richard C. Coulhard Trust
7. Executive Session
 - a. A closed session for personnel with the possible action to follow.
 - i. Executive session pursuant to 5ILCS 102/3: the selection of a person to fill a public office, as defined in this Act, including a vacancy in a public office, when the public body is given power to appoint

under law or ordinance, or the discipline, performance or removal of the occupant of a public office, when the public body is given power to remove the occupant under law or ordinance.

- b. A motion was made to go into executive session at 6:43 PM. It was motioned by Anderson and seconded by Cummings. Approved 7-0.
 - c. A motion was made to go back into open session at 7:00. Motioned by Anderson and seconded by Porth. Approved 7-0.
8. Action on Executive Session
 - a. None
 9. President's Report
 - a. None
 10. Vice President's Report
 - a. The vice president emailed an article about the importance of libraries as a safe place.
 11. Financial Report
 - a. Motion was made to accept the June financial report. Motioned by Porth and seconded by Keavney. Approved 7-0.
 12. Committee Reports
 - a. Finance Committee
 - i. A motion was made to put on display for the public the budget FY 2023.
 - b. Technology Committee
 - i. None.
 - c. Strategic Plan Committee
 - i. A meeting is being scheduled to be held on July 12 at 1 PM at the library.
 - d. Personnel Committee
 - i. There are 3 new part-time employees.
 - e. Policy Committee
 - i. None
 - f. Facilities Committee
 - i. The bathroom remodels are ongoing.
 - ii. This year's portion of the garden work has been completed.
 - iii. The library shall begin work on removing the weeds growing in the sidewalk cracks.
 13. Unfinished Business
 - a. A Motion was made to approve the ordinance 2022-613 for the purchase of the house at 114 W North Street.
 14. New Business
 - a. None
 15. Other
 - a. None
 16. Adjournment - Time 7:22 -Anderson motioned to adjourn, seconded by Porth. Approved 7-0.

All topics on the agenda are potential action items.

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Angelique Minett, Board Secretary

