



MORRIS AREA PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOOKS FOR ALL

Morris Area Public Library

June 12, 2023

Board of Trustees

Decennial Committee

5:30 pm

Morris Area Public Library Conference Room

Minutes-

1. Call to Order at 5:47 P.M.
 - a. Roll Call- Breen, Cummings, Davy, Mai, Marsaglia, and Porth were present. Absent were Ebert , Keavney, Minett and Peterson Also present was guest: Burton.
2. Review of the Agenda for Additions/Changes.
 - a. Motion to accept the agenda. Moved by Cummings and seconded by Porth. Approved 6-0.
3. Minutes from previous meeting
 - a. Motion to approve the minutes from the May 8 Decennial Committee Meeting. Moved by Porth and seconded by Cummings. Approved 6-0
4. New Business
 - a. There is an outline for the necessary paperwork that needs to be filed.
 - i. Looking over item II, Information about our Library
 1. Add population of the county
 2. Add that there are 3 library districts in the county and 4 libraries.
 - ii. Looking over 4A, Core programs or services offered by our Library.
 1. Add educational programs for each age level. Programs are more than just crafts.
 2. Add community office equipment use such as fax, scan, and print.
 3. Add Technology section which includes Tech support and computer use.
 4. Add Language Support such as TBS, and tech classes in Spanish.
 5. Move Reader Meets Book and Surprise Bundles to circulation.
 6. Battery recycling
 - iii. Looking over 4B, other Core services/ programs we could possibly provide
 1. Tutoring services
 2. On-line adaptive tutoring services
 3. ESL
 4. Makerspace
 5. Card clubs
 6. Recycling events
 7. Become a certified Warming or Cooling Center
 - iv. Look over IV, Awards and Recognition
 1. Add won an award for the Corn Festival Scarecrow 2 years in a row.
 - v. Look over VI, Intergovernmental Agreements
 - vi. Look over VII, Community Partnerships
 1. Add Catholic Charities
 2. Add Lions Club with the glasses collection
 3. Add local schools
 - vii. Look over VIII, Reviews of Laws , Policies, Rules, Procedures, Training materials and other documents.
 1. Add periodic meeting review of closed meeting minutes
 2. Add policy for Whistle blower auditing.
 3. Acquire reports on government efficiency, including" Local Government Efficiency and Size in Illinois: Counting Tax Revenues, Not Governments" by Wendell Cox (2016)
 - viii. Look over IX, What have we done well
 1. Services and programs
 2. Computers and fax

3. Technology
4. Social Media Presence and online impact
 - a. Resa's Reviews and Recipes
 - b. Christmas Cookbook
 - c. Newsletter
 - d. Communication improved
5. Library of Things
 - a. Die Cuts
6. Finance
 - a. Managing Budget
 - b. Improved financial transparency
 - c. Improved financial reports
7. Community Outreach -
 - a. Summer Adventure Program
 - b. Movies in the Park
 - c. Engagement using Goold Park
8. Facility upgrades
 - a. Circulation Desk
 - b. Overall improved looks and cleanliness
 - c. Improved children's section
 - d. New furniture which is comfortable
 - e. Upgraded lighting
9. Timely FOIA compliance
10. Stable staff
 - ix. Look over X, What inefficiencies did we identify/ what are the next steps
 1. Incorporate strategic management plan
 2. Checking/reviewing board bylaw - needs to be reviewed annually
- b. The next meeting is scheduled to be held on July 10 at 5:30 PM.
- c. A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 6:28. Moved by Davy and seconded by Cummings. Approved 6-0.

_____, Board Secretary