

OSCEOLA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEE

Minutes of Regular Meeting: October 19, 2016

Members Present: Stephen Bjork, Marcia Dressel, Mike Salewski, Amy Erickson Hagen, Julie Galonska

Also Present: Joel Schwochert & Rebekah Palmer

Members Absent: Drew Wellumson, Michele Merritt, Kelly McBride

CALL TO ORDER: Bjork called the meeting to order at 6:06 pm.

APPROVE AGENDA: Galonska/Salewski motion to approve agenda. Motion carried 5-0.

APPROVE MINUTES FOR AUGUST: Galonska/Dressel motioned to approve September meeting minutes with edit to the date listed on the document. Motion carried 5-0.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: There were no citizen's comments.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Joel Schwochert has started a new class on infographics. Rebekah Palmer reported that there are more kids on the Youth Advisory Committee than prior years. This group can also be available to ask for help with various library events when volunteers are needed. Emma (staff) is the contact person. Bjork asked Palmer to ask the group if one of them would be willing to start attending regular board meetings. The Usborne Book donation is an in-kind donation, Dressel will send a thank you. There is a meat raffle on Friday night, Salewski noted that the money from the remaining raffles will likely be needed to balance the budget versus additional purchases.

MONTHLY FINANCIALS: Bjork reported that the unemployment issue has been reported by the Village as resolved however not showing up as a line item. Salewski and Bjork will follow up with the Village at a future budget meeting. Salewski/Galonska to approve September financials. Motion carried 5-0.

MONTHLY BILLS: Staff are trying other options for coffee to aid in decreasing the monthly expenses. Galonska/Salewski motioned to approved the October bills. Motion carried 5-0.

PARTNER GROUP MEETING REPORT: Galonska reported that for the last meeting 4 of the 7 members were in attendance. Both capital campaign events had positive feedback with new donors present. There is a short video being created and they are continuing to work on the economic development grant. The MPLF had a mini strategic planning committee. The main topics for discussion was the current office space and the future of the consultant/staff. The timeline that was developed at the kick off of the group was reviewed and remains vague. MPLF is looking at matching grants between corporate foundations and local businesses. The partner group will continue to meeting monthly. The Board representatives will bring to the next meeting the Library Board budget timeline.

YOUTH PROGRAMMING REPORT: Upcoming events include the Adult Story Time, Family Fort Night and the Big Fun Playdate. The format will change this month for the Big Fun Playdate. This past week there

was two out of school events: Snack with Rita from the Water Shed and Monster Mash Party. Both events had approximately 35 attendees.

BOARD MEMBERSHIP: Two open positions to be filled by Village members. This topic is tabled until next month when McBride can report on discussions she had with recommended candidates.

NEXT MEETING: November 16, 2016.

Bjork adjourned meeting at 6:42 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Amy Erickson Hagen
Secretary, Osceola Public Library Board