



MINUTES

Library Board

5:00 PM - Monday, September 13, 2021

Zoom

The Library Board of the City of Marion, Linn County, Iowa met on Monday, September 13, 2021, at 5:00 PM, with the following members present:

PRESENT: Sally Reck, Susan Kling, Jack Zumwalt, Sandy Rosenberger, Okpara Rice, Kim Rose, Eileen Robinson, Seth Moomey, Cara Briggs Farmer, Nancy Miller, Ross McIntyre

ABSENT: Chelsea Nun

STAFF PRESENT: James Teahen, Kimberly Cowger, Bill Carroll, Amy Geiger, Linda Foens, Dennis Cooper

FRIENDS REP: Wynelle Lindsley

GUESTS PRESENT: Elena Betsworth, Will Brandt

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:00pm by Board President, Sally Reck.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Motion to approve agenda as presented.

Moved by Rose, seconded by Rice, to approve agenda as presented.

Approved unanimously

PUBLIC FORUM

No comments

LIBRARY SPOTLIGHT

Staff Recognition--Madeline Jarvis, Jackie Tracey, and Luke Johnson are all celebrating 5 years of service with the library this year.

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Motion to approve the August Meeting minutes.

Moved by Kling, seconded by Briggs Farmer, to approve the August minutes as presented.

Approved unanimously

REPORTS

Friends of the Marion Public Library Report

979 children are currently registered for the Dolly Parton Imagination Library and 195 have graduated from the program. Over 11,000 books have been given out to children in Marion.

A \$10,000 Grant from the Greater Cedar Rapids Foundation was received for DPIL.

Review of Budget Report

The only significant item to mention is a large revenue received, this is the Foundation's reimbursement for Amy Geiger's salary as part-time Foundation Director.

Policy Committee

- Art Policy--Cara recommends this policy be revisited again in the future in regards to adding wording about maintenance of artwork.
- Internet Policy
- Laptop Loan Policy

Moved by Briggs Farmer, seconded by Rosenberger, motion to approve the policies as presented,

Approved unanimously

Arts Advisory Committee Report

The art collection was discussed in regards to what the Committee recommends be kept for the new library what what part pieces should be decommissioned. The two Rocca pieces will stay, as will the Mohr painting, *The Midnight Arrow*.

The Board is in favor of artwork in the new library having a plaque explaining the history behind artwork and how it came to be in the library.

Bill is trying to confirm that 1% of the new building budget will be reserved for artwork. Cara recommends that we "should live in the space for a bit before filling it up with art."

Moved by Zumwalt, seconded by Moomey, motion to approve the Arts Advisory Committee's Art Recommendations from last summer, with the change of keeping the Mohr painting.

Approved unanimously

Personnel Committee Report

No update

Director's Report

- Foundation Report--Amy will report next month on some of the naming opportunities that have been donated towards.
- New Building Update--Bush recommends the next tour for Board members be at the end of October. The City is in negotiations for the sale of the old library building.
- Staff Update: This year's annual Staff Training Day on November 11th will focus on Teamwork.
- MLN Update: Bill, Sally, and Susan will meet with the other MLN teams later this week.

Board Continuing Education

Susan and Okpara are taking the 21 Day Equity Challenge.

REGULAR AGENDA

It was mentioned that information about the General Election to increase our number of Board Members be mentioned on the Library website in order to inform voters why this is appearing on the ballot.

ADJOURN

Moved by Briggs Farmer, seconded by Rice, Motion to adjourn at 6:21pm.
Approved unanimously

Respectfully submitted by:
Kimberly Cowger, Administrative Assistant