

VILLAGE OF GRAFTON

JOINT LIBRARY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

MONDAY APRIL 25, 2022 6:30 PM

President Charles Kramer called the Joint Library Board meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Genee Brukwitzki, Clark Evans, Susan Hoffman, Charles Kramer, Trustee Amy Luft, Wendy Sprenger

MEMBERS EXCUSED: Paul Melotik

STAFF/OFFICIALS PRESENT: Library Director John Hanson

HEAR PERSONS WISHING TO BE HEARD: None

MINUTES

Motion made by Wendy Sprenger, seconded by Clark Evans, to approve the February 28, 2022 minutes as presented. Motion carried.

AUTHORIZATION OF DISBURSEMENTS

Library Director John Hanson reviewed the past two months. He highlighted a few points. Panel acoustics were purchased as a sample. They have been installed in study rooms. They are proving to be effective. The Library will slowly add additional panels. Trinity Dancers were paid this year. They were not paid in previous years. This is one of the youth events the Library will pay for.

Motion made by Charles Kramer, seconded by Wendy Sprenger, to accept the disbursements. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Director Hanson reviewed the expenditures from February and March and a few notable items. Revenues are as expected. Library fees may end up lower at the end of the year but it is not a serious concern. Expenditures are as expected.

LIBRARY DONOR FUND

Director Hanson made a deposit of money donated by patron Jim Bloom. One withdrawal was made.

CURRENT LIBRARY EVENTS

Director Hanson reported on the current library events and highlighted some events including Monarch Memory Cafe, Tech Tuesdays, a Self Defense presentation. The Spring Book sale took place April 14-18. Youth programming continues to be offered. March attendance was 248 youth.

BENCHMARKS

Director Hanson provided a benchmark update. Circulation is down five percent from the previous year. Digital up one percent. More people are using the computers and using the library in person.

5 YEAR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BUDGET

The purpose of this report is to lay out future needs. Director Hanson carried items over from last year. There are no unexpected projects that are a part of this report. The Library needs to replace the failing HVAC system. The Library is exploring Solar conversion options as well. In approximately 9 years we would break even with Solar. The fire alarm system will soon be outdated and will need to be replaced.

Motion made by President Charles Kramer, seconded by Susan Hoffman, to approve the report as presented. Motion carried.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Hanson shared that as part of a science education program sponsored by a University consortium of which UW Milwaukee and UW Madison are members, the Library can apply to have an exhibit on display at Grafton Library. The subject of the exhibit is Climate Change. Clark Evans will assist in the application.

ADJOURN

Motion made by President Charles Kramer, seconded by Susan Hoffman, to adjourn at 7:22 p.m. Motion carried.