



June 26, 2023

A meeting of the Board of Directors of the Reading Public Library commenced at 4:30 PM, Alan Carman, President, presiding.

Present: Alan Carman, Chris Phillips, Nancy Campbell, Renee Dietrich, Salvadore Sepulveda, Michel Micozzi, Felix Pena, Kaitlin Daley, Julia, Becker, Keith Mooney, Ramona Turner Turpin, Melissa Adams and Vicky Fuller.

Absent: Zelda Yoder, Sherry Cameron. Excused.

Guests: Marissa Guidara, Becky Wanamaker, Linda Capozello.

Public Comment: None.

Minutes: Motion to approve the May 2023 minutes was made by Salvadore Sepulveda, seconded by Keith Mooney. Approved.

Treasurers Report: Chris Phillips reported that on the grants received in May and the City payroll reimbursement was paid. Motion to accept the May 2023 Treasurer's Report was made by Renee Dietrich and seconded by Nancy Campbell. Accepted.

Director's Report: Melissa Adams reported that the Assistant Director position has been posted and the additional Librarian II position has been opened internally. Wi-Fi Hot Spots are available for circulation. Digital Literacy has iPads and Wi-Fi hot spots as well and currently Cid is working with 21 patrons. A soft opening for passports is scheduled for August 14 with appointments taken by phone and via the website in September. The Story-walk project is moving forward at City Park with installation occurring over the next two months. Melissa will be on a BCTV panel of Librarians discussing Book Banning. Staff have started their annual policy review.

Becky Wanamaker mentioned that Heritage Quest is a genealogy database that will replace Ancestry.com with full remote availability. The fiscal district budget is coming to a close June 30.

Marissa Guidara discussed the Summer Learning initiatives provided to the district libraries. Pages for Pets, in partnership with the Animal Rescue League, will sponsor the adoption of a pet based on the number of minutes read by July 28.

Library Services: Keith Mooney stated that the committee met on June 14th and discussed the revisions of three policies. The 3D Printer Policy, Wi-Fi Hot Spot Policy and the Audio Visual Policy was made available to the board prior to the meeting. Motion was made by Keith Mooney and seconded by Kaitlin Daley to approve the revisions to the three policies. Approved.

Facilities: No Report

Finance: Chris Phillips stated that the committee did not meet but that two RFP proposals were received and the committee will meet in July.

Personnel: Keith Mooney stated that the committee met on June 13th and will discuss further in Executive Session.

Strategic Planning: Felix Pena stated the committee met on June 9th and provided the board with objectives.

Advancement: Nancy Campbell reported that we received over \$15,700 for Celebrity Bartender. The Summer Reading solicitation letter has been mailed. We received a summer reading donation of \$5000 for books and programming. Patron donations are up from 2022. Nancy thank the board for their support. Alan reported that 104 golfers attended the Parrot Club Summer Daze event with 90 staying for the show. The event received at least \$12,000 and we are waiting on the results from the golfing portion. Several staff members volunteered which was appreciated and we received names of new donors. Kimberly Servello introduced the new Library Logo.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: Trustees should turn in their clearances by August 31. We will accept any clearances that were done within the last five years.


Motion to enter Executive Session at 5:18 was made by Julia Becker and seconded by Keith Mooney. Approved

Motion to exit Executive Session at 5:30 was made by Renee Dietrich and seconded by Keith Mooney. Approved.

Motion to accept the goals for the Executive Director, Melissa Adams, for calendar year 2023 as written was made by Keith Mooney and seconded by Kaitlin Daley. Approved.

Motion to adjourn was made by Keith Mooney and seconded by Julia Becker. Approved.

Respectfully submitted as drafted by Vicky Fuller,


Zelda Yoder
Secretary