

FLOYD MEMORIAL LIBRARY
Minutes of meeting April 13, 2015.

Members present: Rosemary Gabriel, Seth Kaufman, Melina Angelson, Buffy Hartmann, Diane Mulvaney, Rebecca Miller, Peter Sacks and Director Lisa Richland.

The Board meeting was called to order at 6.06pm.

The minutes of March 2, 2015 were approved on motion of 1) Miller, 2), Angelson unanimous.

The bills were ordered paid on motion of 1) Gabriel, 2), Sacks unanimous. The treasurer's reports were accepted and filed for audit.

Treasurer's Report:

There is nothing out of the ordinary to report. Income and expenditures continue to be line with projections.

Director's Report:

Due to delivery delays of necessary additional fixtures the LED conversion has not yet been completed. The Library is also still awaiting bids from at least one additional construction/engineering company about the building analysis as well as for needed grounds work.

Work has begun on the 2016 budget in preparation for the annual meeting on June 1st. The process has added complexity this year with state mandated requirements on taxing entities to save, through new cooperative efforts with other taxing entities, one percent of their budget per year for the next three years. This is in addition to existing tax cap requirements. Since the Library will not be able comply with this, the Director is working on a budget that will exceed the tax cap and provide for continued excellent service. The Director will be meeting with the budget committee in the next week to work out the specifics.

Children's librarian Joe Cortale has returned to work and is in good health. All are all glad to see him return. Laura Clempner, who has been processing books for the past sixteen years, has taken a leave to deal with health issues. In her absence Selina Truelove has added two hours to her weekly schedule to get library materials up on the shelves. So far this is working out well.

Internet service has been upgraded with two broadband Internet feeds now available. One is for the sole use of Library staff, the other for patrons both on the wired and wireless networks, thus speeding up download/upload speeds for both. The four o'clock slowdown is now a thing of the past.

ESL classes are winding down and will end on April 29. This year has been the most successful in terms of class size and continuity. Rebecca Lillis the instructor has done a terrific job and plans to resume in November.

Committees:

Budget + Finance – A meeting is scheduled for Wednesday April 15th.

Grounds + Garden – The committee is meeting on Wednesday, April 15th with garden contractors to discuss required work.

Personnel – Laura Clempner has taken a leave of absence due to health issues.

Policy – Miller to produce an alternative, simpler privacy policy to be discussed at the next board meeting.

Old Business:

Only one bid has been received for the building assessment work. The Library will not proceed until at least one alternative bid has been tendered and reviewed.

Meeting was adjourned at 6.54pm on motion of Angelson. The next meeting will be on May 4th at 6.00pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Seth Kaufman, secretary