

Minutes for
Library Board of Trustees
Regular meeting – August 23, 2022
Main Library Room.

1. Call to Order
 - a. 5:00 pm
2. Roll Call
 - a. In Person. Jenny, Jill (running meeting), Julie, Ruth, Alicia, and Dan (minutes).
3. Approval of Agenda
 - a. Julie 1st. Jenny 2nd. All in Favor
4. Public Comment
 - a. No Public present.
5. Approval of minutes
 - a. Julie 1st. Jenny 2nd. All in Favor
6. Review Bills and Budget
 - a. Reviewed during the meeting. No questions.
7. Directors Report
 - a. MLA – Link to appropriate information emailed.
 - b. Toddler Time – Done for the summer. Fall schedule is completed.
 - c. Book Club – small group. Stayed focused on the book.
 - d. SRP is completed.
 - i. Programs were pretty well attended. Great theme.
 - ii. Awards posted on door.
 - e. Allegan County Library Meeting. Training day is planned for October 10. All staff should go.
 - f. Co-op meeting. This Thursday. Working on by-laws and budget.
 - g. Grants – SRP grant report has been finalized and accepted.
 - i. Co-op grant is half done. Still working on the tech half.
 - h. Staffing report – just Debbie and Alicia currently. Interviews continue.
 - i. Expecting an email from Mrs. Nicely-Gott soon. School started today.
 - j. Fall planning in progress. We are doing mostly passive programming until we can get someone new trained. Toddler time and Lego until staff situation changes.
 - k. Storage room update. Dehumidifier placed in room. Much better.
8. Old Business
 - a.
9. New Business
 - a. Summer Reading Stats. Handout provided for meeting. Compared 2019 to 2022.
 - b. Review Personnel Policies & Bylaws for September. Per schedule, it's on the website.
 - c. Motion to close the Library October 10th for county wide training. All other libraries are bringing staff. Julie 1st, Jenny 2nd. All in favor.
10. Updates on local meetings
 - a. Martin Twp meeting. Alice emailed her report.

1. One of the security cameras at the township hall records the parking lot and main entrance to the library building. They have decided to postpone purchasing more units for the library while they assess the performance of the security system. John Schipper mentioned that they have not forgotten the need for a camera inside the building.
2. We talked at length about the drain overflowing in the storage room. They had Boniface inspect the furnace to rule out that its operation was the cause. They also have determined the gutter system is working properly. Bottom line, they are not sure what is causing the problem. I volunteered to consult with the Village to determine whether the sewer or stormwater drain system is the cause. I talked with Gary who asked the library to contact the Village if they notice the street has water backed up at the same time as the drain is overflowing. I'll try to keep the left hand talking with the right hand. 😊
 - b. Orangeville Twp meeting.
 - i. Emailed summary sent by Alice in July.
 - c. Watson Twp meeting.
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 - d. Friends Meeting.
 - i. Alicia attended. Book Sale October 7th and 8th. Started working on wish list. Ordered work table for librarian office (mostly for MEL).
 - e. School Board.
 - i. School Board. Julie attended. Mentioned SRP. Sam takes over as superintendent.
11. Public Comment
 - a. No public present.
12. Board Member Comment.
 - a. Round table.
13. Next meeting: September 27, 2022 @ 5PM
14. Adjournment
 - a. Julie 1st. Jenny 2nd. All in Favor. 5:25 pm.