



A Place to Gather & Grow

Board of Trustees Meeting

September 20, 2018

Members:

PRESENT

ABSENT

Dave Chugg	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Terry Hyland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Susan Jevens	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Gary Neuenschwander	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Jim Plourde	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Kathleen Rinear	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
John Tabaka	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Sarah Wilke	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
(VACANT)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Staff:

Suzann Holland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Laura Schmiedicke	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Andrea Schmitz	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Call to Order:

President Neuenschwander called the regular meeting of the Monroe Public Library Board of Trustees to order at 7:00 pm with a quorum present.

Approval of Agenda:

Trustee Jevens made a motion approve the agenda as presented. Trustee Rinear seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment:

None.

Board Correspondence:

None.

Approval of Minutes:

Trustee Rinear made a motion to approve the minutes of the July regular meeting as presented. Trustee Plourde seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Director's Report:

The Director's Report, including the department updates, was reviewed and discussion was held.

Friends Group Report:

The Friends group planned for their annual meeting.

Board Briefing:

Andrea gave a short presentation on weeding of library collections, including the issues and techniques involved.

Financial Review:

The financial reports were reviewed with the following balances at the end of May:

- The LGIP account balance was reported at \$178,624.77.
- The MPL Gift & Special Fund account balance was reported at \$22,216.19.
- The SCLS Foundation report balance was reported at \$710.74.
- The list of invoices was distributed.

Trustee Rinear made a motion to approve the invoices as presented. Trustee Tabaka seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Unfinished Business: Phase II Funding Gap Discussion

Suzann briefed the board on her planned crowdfunding test, planning for a meeting with Colony Brands, and approaching the city about a community block grant.

Unfinished Business: Consideration of Eliminating Fines for Children

After some discussion, it was apparent that eliminating fines for children would not address the issue of children with blocked cards in a meaningful way. Of the 105 juvenile cards that are currently blocked, the vast majority are blocked because of unreturned items. It was determined the better course of action is to look at each case individually to determine if anything can be done.

New Business: Consideration of Policy on Library Closures

No changes were recommended.

New Business: Consideration of Policy on Computers & Internet Access

No changes were recommended.

New Business: Consideration of Board of Trustees By-laws

No changes were recommended.

Business from Trustees:

Next meeting is at 7pm on Thursday, October 18th in the 2nd floor meeting room.

Adjournment:

Trustee Rinear made a motion to adjourn at 8:04pm. Trustee Hyland seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.