

Brodhead Memorial Public Library

July 11, 2024

The meeting of the Brodhead Memorial Public Library Board of Trustees was called to order by President Ann Anderson at 4:03PM. Cori Clark was missing. Ben Gritzmaker from the City Council was in attendance. The Board members present included: Katrina Dunlavy, Sabrina Meichtry, Troy Nyman, Kirsten Novy, Nancy Nettesheim.

Motion to approve consent agenda and to deviate from order if necessary was made by Ann Anderson and seconded by Nancy Nettesheim. Motion passed.

Motion to accept the minutes from the June 13 meeting was made with a provision to amend the names of Sabrina Meichtry and Katrina Dunlavy. Motion made by Kirsten Novy and seconded by Sabrina Dunlavy. Motion passed.

During the public comment section of the meeting, Ben Gritzmaker spoke concerning the rumors that the library was going to close. He emphasized that the library was one of few viable alternatives for people in Brodhead to go for a sense of community. The council is not planning to close the library. As an option for any funds we wish to invest, there is an executive money market at the Bank of Brodhead at 3% and a 9 month CD at 5%.

Director's Report included the financial updates for the month. Petty cash from making copies was \$170.37. \$500.00 was donated anonymously by a patron.

We have received our first RFID tagging station. We will be received another such station and 20,000 RFID tags in the near future, all paid for through a grant using LSTA funds.

Facilities updates include a visit by Midwest Solar to view our building and to offer possible installation of solar panels. HVAC is waiting for Prostar to reconnect with us, and Olin Heating & Cooling has been here to service the HVAC. Three Tables and supplies were purchased for a Maker Space area at a cost of \$1118.24.

The proposed children's bathroom was discussed after receiving a fee proposal from Dimension IV Madison. Further discussion will be held.

A motion to approve the Director's Report was made by Ann Anderson and seconded by Kirsten Novy. The motion passed.

Vox books and Launch Pads are two new offerings in high demand. Service Statistics continue to increase in terms of programs and attendees during the month of June.

Much attention was directed to the upcoming budget for the library. A motion was made by Kirsten Novy and seconded by Ann Anderson for the Library Trustees to offer the Library Director a salary of \$ 58,656.00. This is due to the Fair Labor Standards Act. The motion includes 2% raise for all other employees. As a result of these two changes, the motion includes the two previous amendments to the proposed budget. Roll call was taken with the "ayes" unanimous. Motion passed.

Sabrina Meichtry made a motion to approve WRS for Sarah Carpenter, the new programming and outreach employee. Motion seconded by Katrina Dunlavy. Roll call vote was unanimous.

A motion to accept the changes to the program and study room policy was made by Katrina Dunlavy and seconded by Kirsten Novy. The motion passed.

Future agenda items will include discussion of the children's bathroom.

Motion from Kirsten Novy to adjourn the meeting. Second came from Ann Anderson. Meeting was adjourned at 5:24.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Nancy Nettesheim, secretary