

**LINCOLN PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
MAY 16, 2024**

- I. Call to order by V.P. Susan Rohrer at 5:33 pm.
Present: Susan Rohrer, Tom Zwilling, John Aton, Kathy Papesch, Roger Michalsen
Absent: Keith Leesman, Ed Jeffries
Mr. Starasta and Donna Cunningham were present.
- II. No additions to the agenda
- III. No Executive Session
- IV. No Public comments
- V. Minutes
 - 1. May 18 corrections
 - a. Change Abbott's representative to Greg Eimer
 - b. Change Next meeting – May 9
 - 2. May 18 Questions
 - a. Rohrer asked about the 'Committed Funds' ... no answer
 - b. Clarification on 'Friends of the Library Promo' hand out May 18
 - c. Sesquicentennial Line item for budget will be added
 - d. Mr. Starasta gave information on two line items
 - i. Even Year G/L 902-6701M
 - ii. Odd Year G/L 602-6701 Kathy Papesch asked if Abbotts could provide further info on the Odd/Even funds? What are the 'strings' attached to using these funds?
 - 3. Motion to approve Minutes by Tom Zwilling; seconded by John Aton Motion carried.
- VI New Business
 - a. Monthly financial reports
 - 1. Tom Zwilling offered that the Insurance Fund approx. \$2 difference could be interest. Mr. Starasta verified that it is interest.
 - 2. Susan Rohrer commented that p. 10 explains Children's reading program expenses show how they are broken down.
 - 3. Kathy Papesch clarified that 'income' is revenue
 - 4. John Aton offered that Interest Income is listed as \$1.40
 - 5. Mr. Starasta asked on how we can use the 'Gifts' on p. 3
 - 6. P 2 lists the total liabilities (\$130,xxx) and Income (\$84,xxx)
 - 7. Motion to approve submitted by Tom Zwilling; Seconded by Kathy Papesch. Motion carried
 - b. Donna Cunningham's Report
 - 1. Summer Reading Program: \$5700.00 received in donations close to 'usual amount'.
 - 2. Some incidental expenditures not indicted, postage for requesting donation and misc. supplies

3. Letter request for donations were sent the first of March and 'due' this week.
 4. Mr. Starasta offered that we had a new donor probably because of the radio interview. McLean's Velvetene Coffee Route 66 shop.
 5. Tom Zwilling asked about the new employee. Donna reported that she is getting acclimated well.
- c. Caroline Kiest's Report
1. No questions.
 2. Kathy Papesch asked if Caroline's name could be added to the report in the future.
 3. A large donation of 'tapes' (Emily's mom). Some were used as replacements to the Library's collection. Some were added to the Book Sale.

VII Old Business

- a. Carnegie Roof
1. Mr. Starasta reported that he had not received any contact information.
 2. He will contact Otto Baum (sp?) in Morton. They are currently working on the gazebo in the park. He will also contact Grayco.
- b. Sesquicentennial
1. Banner. The original cost was estimated at \$200 - \$300.
 - a. Fireman could not hang the banner.
 - b. Jason Cosby was contacted. His bid: \$1,000
 - c. Chicago Street Rental was suggested as an alternative.
 2. Promotions
 - a. Radio Interview garnered some response.
 - b. Online newspapers have been contacted to post information.
 - c. Mr. Starasta reported that he had posted on various Facebook sites
 - d. The cake is to be delivered Friday.
 - e. Carnegie chairs will be moved Friday. Set up on Saturday at 10:00
- Nothing for Misc.
1. John Aton had two questions
 - a. Registered letter from City Attorney Hoblitt. It was suggested that this was done to notify the Library of potential new patrons in our district.
 - b. John Aton reported that he uses the Library on many days. 'Homeless' seem to be 'loitering' in the Library. He asked if this has been a problem. The person approaches churches for food (Rev. Quine) Susan Rohrer suggested contacting the Lincoln Ministerial Assoc. John Aton reported that on his early morning walks he has seen some sleeping in the Park and Chicago St. storefront doorways. A question was asked about the 'Hope on Fifth' being a possible source of help for these people.

Kathy Papesch report that she worked as a former Library Page. She met with friends who also worked at the Library and they enjoyed their tour recently

VIII A motion to adjourn was made by Tom Zwilling and seconded by John Aton. Motion carried

Adjourned at 6:23 pm