

Lincoln Public Library District Board Of Trustees Meeting November 21, 2024

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:33 pm by President Rohrer.

Members Present:

John Aton

Ed Jeffries

Keith Leesman

Roger Michalsen

Susan Rohrer

Kathy Papesch

Also Attending:

Mike Starasta

Caroline Kiest

Donna Cunningham

Ashley Ried

II. Additions to the Agenda: None

III. Executive Session: None

IV. Public Comments: None

V. Approval of Minutes

Keith Leesman made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 17, 2024 meeting as submitted with the exception of motion to adjourn was made by Keith Leesman. Motion was seconded by Kathy Papesch and approved.

VI. New Business

A. Sesquicentennial Celebration

Ashley Reid reported on the results of the recent celebration evening. The net cost of the event was \$1,710.26 but thanks to donations there was a surplus of \$209.24. Some of the costs were for materials such as chair covers that can be reused for future events. Attendees expressed many favorable impressions of the event. The Board agreed that it was a wonderful, memorable event and commended Ashley and her committee for their time and efforts.

B. Financial Reports

There was some discussion regarding the format of page 9 actual versus budget comparisons. There was also discussion of the timing of tax receipts during the remainder of the fiscal year. Kathy Papesch made a motion to accept October Financial Reports as presented. Motion was seconded by Ed Jeffries and approved.

C. Donna Cunningham Report

Deleted materials total on Donna's report as submitted was not accurate. Emily and Tony are in the process of painting Christmas characters on the Broadway windows. There is a new employee, Arika Bone, in the Annex.

D. Caroline Kiest Report:

The Library Crawl event was successful with several out-of-town visitors. The book sale is operational year-round, not just the publicized August weekend.

E. Dara Entwistle joined the meeting to discuss her interest in leasing an office in the former Bel-Tone space. After her departure Keith Leesman made a motion to authorize the director to negotiate a one-year lease for \$300 per month with the lease to include necessary details. The motion was seconded by Ed Jeffries and approved.

VII. Old Business

A. Carnegie Roof

Companies previously contacted, Grayco and Otto Baum, are not interested in bidding on the job. A new company will come next week to look at the roof for a fee of \$200.

B. Sojourn Shelter

Representatives of the shelter met with the public at the library. No metrics regarding the number of people involved were available.

VIII. Director's Report

A. Looking into a possible Mystery Dinner fund raiser in the spring with hors d'ourves rather than dinner.

B. There will be a private staff dinner December 4 at Flossie and Delzena's. Cost last year was \$430. Motion to approve was made by Ed Jeffries and seconded by Roger Michalsen.

C. Kathy Papesch made a motion to pay a Christmas bonus of \$100 per full time employees and \$75 to part time employees. Motion was seconded by John Aton and passed

IX. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Ed Jeffries and seconded by Kathy Papesch. The motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 6:48 pm.

Submitted by,

John Aton