

LESTER PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
April 11, 2017 6:00 PM
Community Room of the Lester Public Library

Call to Order –President Collette Tegen called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Roll Call – Members Present: Patrick Gagnon, Sharon Sleger, David Pennefeather, Larry Thomas, Collette Tegen, Stanley Palmer, Ned Guyette, and Kirsten Sleger. Absent and excused: Rick Henrickson and Don Chewning. Also present: Adult Services Coordinator Chris Hamburg and Director Jeff Dawson.

Public Comment – None

Approval of Minutes – Motion to approve minutes of February 14, 2016, with corrections, made by Thomas, second made by Palmer. Voice vote carried unanimously. (March 2017 meeting canceled, no quorum)

Expenditures & Financial Reports – Motion to accept and file the February and March 2017 financial reports, made by Gagnon, second made by Thomas. Voice vote carried unanimously.

Board Member Comment – Thomas commended library staff on the Hour of Code series program. Sharon Sleger heard good things about the library from the Hamilton Wood Type & Printing Museum director Jim Moran. It was noted the National Library Week program is very visible in the community.

Director's Report – The Board asked Dawson to bring a resolution of support for Institute of Museum and Library Services continued funding to the next meeting for Board approval and then send to our state senators and Representative Grothman. Tom Van Horn has submitted his application for the Board to City Hall. Van Horn, if appointed by City Manager Buckley, will replace outgoing member Chewning.

Communications – Suggested the 2016 Annual Report infographic be shared with City Council and County representatives and add the population of Two Rivers to the infographic.

Report from City Council Representative – Lincoln Avenue construction project will continue through the summer. Economic development strategic planning is underway. With the recent election there will be two new Council Members; the reorganization meeting will be next Tuesday to elect officers and seating arrangement. Council is regularly addressing the Hamilton property, albeit in closed session.

Report from School District Representative – State testing is completed. A new teen nights initiative will be partnering with Parks & Rec and the library. Staff is preparing for summer school.

Report from County Representative – None

Unfinished Business – None

New Business:

- First look at the policy review – Theft or Mutilation of Library Material. Will bring the policy back for formal action at the May meeting.
- Dawson shared updates on the current strategic plan.
- To cover cost of Leede Research, roof repair, and alarm system upgrade there was a motion to move the Meyers donation from the 282 gift account to 280 (donations) made by Gagnon, second made by Thomas. Voice vote carried unanimously.

Closed Executive Session –President Tegen read the Wisconsin Statutes s. 19.85(1)(c) allowing closed session when the employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee under the jurisdiction of the particular government body is being considered. Ms. Tegen stated the reason the Closed Session is in regards to the Library Director’s annual review. She then opened the floor for a motion to enter into Closed Session. Motion made by Guyette to enter into Closed Session, second made by Kirsten Sleger. Roll Call Vote: Ned Guyette – Aye; Sharon Sleger – Aye; Larry Thomas – Aye; Collette Tegen – Aye; Kirsten Sleger – Aye; Patrick Gagnon – Aye; David Pennefeather – Aye; Stanley Palmer – Aye. Motion carried. The Board of Trustees entered into Closed Session at 7:11 PM.

At 7:21 PM, a motion to reconvene in Open Session was made by Gagnon, second made by Thomas. Voice vote carried unanimously.

Board Education: None.

Motion to adjourn made by Kirsten Sleger, second made by Thomas. Voice vote carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 7:23PM.

Respectfully submitted, Jeff Dawson, Director