

Meinders Community Library Board Meeting

September 7, 2022

The meeting was called to order by Justin Schroyer.

Present: Justin Schroyer, Pat Weets, Mary Ann DeGroot, Melany Wellnitz.

Absent: Randy Erdman.

Additions to the agenda and Approval of Agenda: A motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda and the motion was carried.

Community concerns: None.

Approval of the minutes from July 12, 2022: A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes as they appear. Motion was carried.

Director's report:

- Metrics and Financial:
 - Just finished weeding collection today. Some are for sale/give aways.
 - Books that would apply to K-12 students - Melany and Jody select a day next week to go through these.
 - Books for Good Sam and Ridgeview.
 - Statement to Mr. Strasser for use of library.

Unfinished Business:

- Agreement - City voted to stop negotiations with the School District. Building leased for Public Library. Bylaws will need to be updated for after December 31, 2022. Jody will research to find a bylaw template. Jody will send members a copy of the current bylaws.

New Business

- Student checkout with the school library staff member. Classes that come down with a teacher can work with the public library staff. New location will need to be professionally cleaned before moving in.
- Timeline for moving - 22,000 approximate public library books. Discussion was had. Proposal - November 1-November 30 Public Library Closed for moving. Continue holds for Plum Creek. Want to remain able to process delivery - two days a week. Back to COVID protocols. Need a statement for the school and a statement for the paper. Order boxes. Division of assets. Half of the shelving will fit in the leased space. Figure out the books the school will take from the public library to determine their value. Books for shelving. Each takes a set of high top tables with chairs. Review electoral and internet needs. Library Board should go view the leased space. New Library Board members need to be part of the transition - two new board members - it is the Library Board's responsibility to provide names to the city council. Jody would like to see someone from the school (and educator) still on the Library Board. Five, Seven, or Nine people on the new board? A motion was made and seconded and passed to have seven Library Board Members for the new board. County residents need to be represented on the board. Present plan to the School Board at their September board meeting.
- Furnishings and fund balance (\$85,000) are left to be decided.

Next meeting September 14, 2022 @ 5:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Melany Wellnitz.