

Louis Latzer Memorial Public Library Board of Trustees
Meeting Minutes
March 21, 2023

The monthly meeting of the Latzer Library Board was called to order by Sharon Rinderer on 3/21/23 at 5:00 pm.

Roll call showed the following members were present:

Nancy Genteman
Susan Martz
Marshall Rinderer
Sharon Rinderer
Joshua Short
Shaun Voegelé
Bill Wagner

Absent were: Justin McLaughlin and Joyce Zerban

Louis Latzer and William Piper, Associate Members
Angela Kim, Director

February Minutes: The Board reviewed the minutes and Marshall Rinderer moved to approve. Nancy Genteman seconded and the motion carried.

Public Forum: None.

Treasurer's Report: Josh Short presented the report for approval. Shaun Voegelé moved to approve and Bill Wagner seconded. The motion carried.

February Bills: The Board reviewed the bills and Wagner motioned to approve. Short seconded and the motion carried.

Librarian's Report: Fine Free: Angela Kim changed the system after the last meeting. Late fees are no longer charged on any materials.

Book Banning: The state of Illinois has proposed a new law that would seek to limit efforts to ban books in Illinois Public Libraries. Its purpose is "...to encourage and protect the freedom of the public libraries and library systems to acquire materials without external limitation and to be protected against attempts to ban, remove, or otherwise restrict access to books or other materials."

We had an employee out with covid for two weeks.

Kim has been nominated for a second term as Rotary President.

Book Committee Report: A total of 12 books were donated.

Unfinished Business: Work on the Children's Circulation desk and other shelving, funded by the per capita grant, is ongoing.

Due to the recent fraud incidents, we have a new tax account at First Mid Bank in Highland. We have received the new checks. Wagner motioned to move \$100,000.00 from the tax account to an Edward Jones Money Market fund. Short seconded the motion. Roll was called and the motion carried.

New Business: Kim has submitted an Archival Grant for \$5,000.00 with a \$5,000.00 match. It would help pay for staffing, training, and some supplies and outsourcing.

Board members need to fill out the state mandated Statement of Economic Interest by May 1.

A new paid leave law passed in Illinois that gives workers one hour off for every 40 hours worked. Since we already give part time employees vacation and paid holidays, this should not affect the library.

Other Business: Holly's House of Hope, a local organization, contacted Kim about possibly hiring one of their workers. A representative from the organization will present information to the board at a later date.

Adjourn: Wagner motioned to adjourn and Short seconded. The motion passed.

Next Meeting: 4/18/2023