

**IOSCO-ARENAC DISTRICT LIBRARY  
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING**

Place: Omer Little Eagles Nest Library

Date: May 11, 2023

Present: Linda Eyer, Jerry Brown, Sue Kingsbury, Phyllis Klender, Rick Rockwell, Jenn Donner, and Diane Bushman

Absent: Thelma Van Brenk, Carolyn Wright and Dan Stock

**ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Rockwell called the meeting to order at 4:40 p.m.

**ITEM 2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Director Donner requested the following addition to the agenda: Item 9D. Adult Programming Grants  
**Klender moved and Eyer seconded approval of the agenda, as amended. Motion carried.**

**ITEM 3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND REPORTS FROM FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY GROUPS**

Susan Synowiec from Whittemore, Board member nominee was present. Klender reported that the Friends of the Mary Johnston Memorial Library talked about the gardens around the library, the gutter project, and the success of the Mini-Canvas Art Contest. Kingsbury reported that the Tawas City Library Friends are excited about the upcoming Native American Boarding Schools program. She said that they had 57 participants in the Hot Reads for Cold Night event and that library manager Stein is working with Children & Teens Librarian Bigelow on kids programs.

**ITEM 4. BOARD COMMENTS**

Brown said that it's nice to be back after a winter in Florida.

**ITEM 5. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 13, 2023 REGULAR MEETING**

**Eyer moved and Kingsbury seconded approval of the minutes of the April 13, 2023 Regular Meeting. Motion carried.**

**ITEM 6. TREASURER'S REPORT**

**Brown moved and Klender seconded approval of the April 30, 2023 Treasurer's Report. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Brown, aye; Eyer, aye; Rockwell, aye; Stock, absent; Kingsbury, aye; Van Brenk, absent; Klender, aye; Wright, absent. Motion carried.**

**ITEM 7. RATIFICATION OF BILLS**

**Brown moved and Kingsbury seconded ratification of voucher #23-12 dated April 27, 2023 in the amount of \$30,975.48, voucher #23-13 dated May 13, 2023 in the amount of \$22,211.27, and voucher #23-14 dated May 18, 2023 in the amount of \$15,282.05. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Brown, aye; Eyer, aye; Rockwell, aye; Stock, absent; Kingsbury, aye; Van Brenk, absent; Klender, aye; Wright, absent. Motion carried.**

**ITEM 8. DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Director Donner reported that her annual report to the Arenac County Board of Commissioners went well. The only question on the 2022 Annual Report was why our income had decreased. Donner answered that it was because penal fines were down in 2022.

ITEM 9. OLD BUSINESS

9A. HORIZON, MERIT, USF AND MELCAT UPDATES

Director Donner said that she received an email about how much e-rate will discount our Internet bills. She said that the update for Horizon is still scheduled for July 4, 2023.

9B. MARY JOHNSTON MEMORIAL LIBRARY UPDATES

Donner said that the Standish City Manager Brad Mason told her that the City of Standish might help out with some of the cost of the gutters for the library.

9C. LOCAL AUTHOR FAIR

Donner reported that she had thought that this event might have to be cancelled due to lack of applicants, but after the press release came out in the newspapers, there were more applicants. She said that we are up to about 10 now which is enough to hold the Fair.

9D. ADULT PROGRAMMING GRANTS

Donner said that due to technical issues, the Oscoda fax that had been sent to the District office on March 27<sup>th</sup> did not arrive. She asked that the Board consider the applications even though it is past the deadline. The four Oscoda programs are: 1) Conservation and Invasive Species on June 17 2023 with the Alcona Conservation District for \$450; 2) Women and Wellness on July 25, 2023 for \$450; 3) Adopt, Don't Shop on August 12, 2023 with the Alcona Humane Society for \$450; and 4) Women's Self Defense on September 9, 2023 with Munyon Tactics, LLC for \$500. The total request is for \$1,850.

**Klender moved and Eyer seconded approval of four adult program requests from Oscoda totaling \$1,850. A roll call vote was taken as follows: Brown, aye; Eyer, aye; Rockwell, aye; Stock, absent; Kingsbury, aye; Van Brenk, absent; Klender, aye; Wright, absent. Motion carried.**

ITEM 10. NEW BUSINESS

10A. INTRODUCE NEW TRUSTEE – SUSAN SYNOWIEC

Donner introduced Susan Synowiec from Whittemore to the Board. Synowiec applied for the Board position vacated by the resignation of Wright. Synowiec's application will be presented to the Iosco County Board of Commissioners on May 17, 2023 for approval and appointment.

10B. HEADQUARTERS LEASE RENEWAL

Director Donner said that the lease for Headquarters expires on July 31, 2023. She contacted East Tawas City Manager Brent Barringer for a new lease. Barringer submitted a draft lease that raised the rent for the building from \$3,666.67 per quarter to \$9,000.00 per quarter. Donner suggested that she and two Board members meet with Barringer to negotiate the terms of the lease. She will set up a meeting.

ITEM 11. ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

Add: Schedule Budget Committee Meeting  
Schedule Personnel/Policy Committee Meeting  
Schedule Millage ad hoc Committee Meeting

ITEM 12. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Rockwell adjourned the meeting at 5:04.

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Bushman  
Recording Secretary