

Board of Trustees Meeting

Tuesday, May 28, 2013

6:30 PM

Members present: Lou Winter, Emily Boersen, Karen Michael, Roberta Beck, Sheldon Justice, Terry Barnhart, Sue Smith, Andrew Sutherland, Kathy Shirey

Absent: Bill Jennings, Lesli Cull-Kloostra, Connie Kraska

Meeting called to order by Lou at 6:30 PM

Minutes of last meeting: On file. Sue made motion to accept as presented, Terry seconded. All in favor, motion passed

Public Comments: None

Treasurers Report: On file. With almost 97% of revenue received and no unexpected expenditures budget looks stable and right on track. Motion made by Lou and seconded by Karen to accept treasurers report, all in favor, motion passed.

Librarians Report: On File. "Geek the Library" program is gearing up. Initial photographs for posters promoting the program have been taken. The library is applying for the risk reduction grant through the Michigan Township Participating Plan. More on that in new business. Discussion was had on patron idea of piano program in memory of a deceased family member to be held at the library. Board felt other memorial options were already in place, and the library shouldn't set a precedent by holding such a program. Ogemaw County Technology Planning Team is continuing to assess the county's broadband coverage. Due to the library's offering of computer classes as well as other services (i.e.: e-readers, social networking, digital photography) we contributed to the county's high score in the digital literacy awareness sector. A survey will be sent out with winter taxes to assess interest and usage.

Old Business: Friends of the Library have voted to purchase more chairs for the library. The chairs we have now are being reupholstered. The West Branch Eye Care has some very sturdy, similar chairs they want to replace. We will look at those with the plan to reupholster those instead of buying new chairs. The 2013-2014 budget was discussed. Lou made a motion to accept the proposed budget, Karen seconded. All in favor. Motion passed. The personnel recommendations were briefly reviewed- Karen made a motion to accept the 2013-2014 personnel recommendations with the amended changes, Roberta seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

The board was read a letter that Emily and Sue drafted re: the challenges Churchill Township brings to the table- this letter will be sent to our lawyer for recommendations and advice. Marge McKenna has agreed to review and "touch up" the logo that was selected by the board.

New Business: The Summer reading program has a new coordinator, Stephanie Dantzer. Sign up is in June and runs through July. Event days are also being planned. The Risk reduction grant application is being drawn up by Andrew. A resolution needs to be drafted prior to the grant writing. We are planning on requesting the grant for a multi camera surveillance system for protection. Karen made a motion to accept the resolution authorizing a RRGF application. Lou seconded the resolution. All in favor and motion passed at 7:29 PM. Resolution is filed with the minutes. The director has requested the board do a yearly evaluation which is being mailed individually to the board members by Lesli.

Next meeting August 5, 2013 6:30 PM

Motion to adjourn made by Roberta, seconded by Karen. All in favor. Mtg adjourned by Lou.

Kathy Shirey, secretary