

Lawrence Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting
Regular Meeting, 7 p.m. — Public Library
March 15, 2022

Lawrence Public Library Board of Trustees met for its regular monthly meeting. President John White called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. Board members present were: John White, Julie Mieure, Deanna Ratts Boyd, Janet Faro and Joan Brian. Library Director Dianne Brumley was present. Board members absent were: Cyndi Hays-Morris and Jamie Cox.

Recognition of Visitors: Steve Anderson

Approval of Minutes: Julie made a motion to approve the February minutes, Joan seconded. Motion passed.

Financial Report: A \$47,302.33 CD with Casey State Bank was cashed in and deposited in the general checking account. The larger CD was renewed.

Claims:

Joan made a motion to accept the claims, Julie seconded. Motion passed on roll call vote.

Director's Report: Dianne reported 42 individuals, including 14 teens, participated in the library's first Winter Reading Program. Prizes were awarded during the event. A drawing will be held to give away 100th anniversary T-shirts. Patrons were asked to vote on a name for the new owl mascot. The top two selections were combined and he will be known as Hootie L. Wordsworth.

New Business

Efforts are underway to determine the source of an unpleasant odor in the building. The problem started last month. John noted it could be due to sewer gas escaping from a rusted plumbing vent pipe. Homes Plumbing will be conducting a smoke test to try and located the issue.

Unfinished Business

Members discussed future projects such as landscaping, leveling the porch and installing the new logo on the building. Other enhancements would include enclosing the back entry to increase security and increasing lighting in the area.

Dianne said the library will be extending hours to 6 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays beginning in April. Registration for the Summer Reading Program will begin in May. The programs will be held at Lawrenceville High School and run from June through mid-July.

Janet initiated a discussion on promoting reading to youth in the community. Dianne said the library is currently engaging young readers through the Summer Reading Program and the online storytime. She said the first-ever Winter Reading Program also attracted several teens. The suggestion was made to explore what other libraries are doing in this regard.

Meeting Adjourned

Submitted by

Deanna Ratts Boyd