

Lawrence Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting
Regular Meeting, 7 p.m./Public Library
Date: April 18, 2022

The Lawrence Public Library Board of Trustees met for its regular monthly meeting. President John White called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Board members present were: Cyndi Hays-Morris, John White, Julie Mieure, Janet Faro, Joan Brian, Jamie Cox, and Deanna Ratts-Boyd. Library director Dianne Brumley was present. Board members absent: None

- I. Recognition of Visitors
 - A. Steve Anderson (WAKO) attended the later part of the meeting
- II. Approval of Minutes
 - A. Joan moved to approve the March minutes, Julie seconded. Motion carried
- III. Financial Report
 - A. Accountant's Report
 - 1. It was noted we will save approximately \$9000 on janitor costs; we will spend approximately \$6000 a year on contracted services
 - 2. There is one payment left on the loan
 - 3. There is approximately \$4000 left in the per capita money (for books and software); it will need to be spent in the next three months
 - B. Claims
 - 1. Julie moved to accept/pay the claims for April 2022; Jamie seconded. Roll call motion passed
- IV. Director's Report
 - A. Dianne went over her report, with the following highlights:
 - 1. A replacement tax check was received for \$2,543 (March 2022)
 - 2. Unit 20 students have access to our eBook collection through the Sora App
 - 3. Dianne and Jennifer are exploring an event to promote literacy and love of reading in conjunction with Kid's Shopping Day. Jennifer Buchanan attended their last organizational meeting to find out details.
 - 4. Friends of the library annual meeting will be Thursday, May 12th at 4 pm at the library
 - 5. The library is considering hosting an adult program featuring Debra Ann Miller as Agatha Christie in late September/early October
 - 6. Numbers are going up (books loaned etc.)
 - B. Youth and Programs Report
 - 1. Story time attendance has been light with a total of 10 children (visiting story-time digitally). April 27th will be our last story time until September
 - 2. National Library Week was April 3-9. The library gave away 130 bags of microwave popcorn to visitors during that week
 - 3. Kid's Shopping Week will be August 6th at Central Christian Church—400-600 students are served. Jennifer spoke with the group about the possibility of the library setting up a table and giving away bookmarks

and pencil pouches with the library logo. Information would be given out about getting a library card

4. Plans are being made for a virtual pet show in May. People would bring in or send in pictures of their pets for a display during May. A drawing would be held at the end of May with prizes

5. Summer Reading Program will be June 1-July 9, 2022. It is for children 12 and under. Five live shows are scheduled at LHS. Prizes will be given to those who complete each 15-minute reading session

V. Unfinished Business

A. Update on Lighting Project plans

1. John spoke with Jason Wright who noted prices of everything is very high; he is working on a plan to keep costs down as much as possible

2. John is going to meet with Jason at the library (possibly next week on Wednesday) to go over questions and plans

B. Home's Plumbing

1. They did a smoke test (testing of the drain system)

2. The test shows we do not have a problem with any pipes

3. John talked to the Water Department some time ago due to water running out under a sidewalk out front. It was checked out and we didn't have a problem on our end. Wendell

Stephens (state plumbing inspector) was called and he came to the smoke test. Aaron from the water department came as well.

4. Bottom line from all the tests, the city has a leak (been there for at least two years). The city's leak is causing the smell problem and also some peeling on walls between the restrooms in the basement

5. John will talk to David Courtney (mayor) about the city's timetable for finding the leak

VI. New business

A. Quote from Advantage Archives to digitize portion of oldest year books from county schools and other proposed additions

1. To update the newspapers to our site for the last three years would be \$865

2. To digitize/ the yearbooks for all county towns (2516 pages), would be \$1413 (the oldest of at least 5 yearbooks)

3. Julie motioned to spend the money to do the above, Jamie seconded. Roll call motion passed

VII. Truth In-Taxation Compliance (not required)

VIII. Other Business (None)

IX. Executive Session (not required)

Submitted by:

Cynthia Hays-Morris, Secretary