

Dermott O'Toole Memorial Library  
Regular Meeting of the Library Board  
Tuesday June 25 2024 4:30 pm

The meeting was called to order at 4:39pm. Heather Lende and Mary-Claire Bernstein were present in the library. Julie Hamilton and Teresa Hura joined by zoom. Darcie was excused. Kona Allred was also present.

The agenda was approved by consensus.

The minutes of the last regular meeting was reviewed and approved by consensus.

Julie gave the treasurer's report. She reported that the financials are good on the State library grant. Through the end of Feb we have \$30,000 in the bank. We have \$5,000 in savings. We have a new CD of \$18,685 which goes through next April. We are receiving an even better rate on the current CD than we did on the last one.

The Board reviewed the budget to actual figures. There was discussion about whether funds need to be changed in the budget and approved by board before our report is submitted to the State. Julie will call the state library about the Reading/Educational funds and whether that amount needs to be spent.

The City did approve an extra \$1000 for utilities for this year.

Heather reported that the seat that is being advertised on the board is Julie's seat. Julie said she will be submitting her indication of interest to remain on the board soon.

The Board chose to address new business before old business to facilitate our time with Kona Allred. Heather announced that Dee Moulton has resigned, effective the end of June, and Kona Allred is interested in the position. Heather noted that Kona had previously been interviewed for the position. The Board expressed delight that Kona is interested in the position. It was moved and approved to hire Kona as the library director.

It was then moved and approved to move into executive session (Kona went out of the library). The meeting was called back into public session. Plans were made for the transition of librarian and the training of Kona. Heather will call Lisa to ask if she has any pockets of time available to do training. If that fails, Heather will find out when Anne is planning to come back. If Anne won't be available, Heather will get Dordie's number and see if some training could be done by distance.

Mary-Claire went over the basic activities of the library director, and showed Kona the notebook (with ILL forms). Kona will start July 1<sup>st</sup>. We will work to create a volunteer schedule for July.

Under old business, the following were discussed:

- Rasmuson Grant update: Heather talked to the administrators of the Rasmuson grant. We can spend the money on technology and furniture. If we want to spend it on other things, we can talk to them further and present our proposal.

Mary-Claire reported on a plan that she and Teresa created for an appreciation “tea” for the volunteers. The event will take place on August 23<sup>rd</sup>. No time has been set yet. We will play the “white elephant” game with gifts. We will purchase books, food items, local artwork, and possibly DVD or CD’s. Mary-Claire created a list of volunteers and will double check with Lisa or Anne. Invitations will be sent out.

The city grant update was discussed under the treasurer’s report. The PLA grant report is due September 1<sup>st</sup>.

The next meeting date will be July 17<sup>th</sup> at 4:30. Julie requested that we choose a day other than Tuesday or Thursday. Heather will check with Julie to be sure the time is convenient.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:49pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Mary-Claire Bernstein

Board chair: Heather Lende  
Board vice-chair: Teresa Hura  
Board secretary: Mary-Claire Bernstein  
Board Treasurer: Julie Hamilton  
Board Member-at-large: Darcie Ziel

Librarian: Dee Moulton