

Rosemary Garfoot Pubic Library Board Minutes

November 15, 2016

Present: Jennifer Wankerl, Sue Schuetz, Steve Schunk, Jennifer FitzRandolph

Also present: Pam Bosben

Absent: Carolyn Abbott, Ellen Alberts

Call to order: Wankerl called the meeting to order at 5:15 pm

Public Comment: none

Approval of Minutes from the October 18, 2016 meeting: Tabled until the December meeting.

Treasurer's Report: Checking account reported at \$7,307.83. Cash management: \$62,611.27. Operating revenue for October: \$188.34

Approval of Bills: Bills were reviewed. Schunk motioned to approve the bills and Schuetz seconded. Motion carried.

Director's Report:

- Harry Potter Halloween Party was a smashing success. The event was planned and run by tweens and teens.
- Friends of the Library Annual Silent Art Auction is this Thursday. Bidding is open until 7 p.m.
- Held some interesting programs for adults. Environmental film *Anthropocene* drew in some new folks. Excellent discussion following the film. William Pack presented another stellar program about P.T. Barnum. Thursday morning movie continues to be very popular.
- Bosben and Loman attended the three-part workshop on Racial Equity and Social Justice. Both found the workshops to be life-altering both personally and professionally.
- Bosben attended the annual Wisconsin Library Association Conference. Attended many exception sessions including topics about technology, leadership, maker-spaces, and active shooter training. Bosben will plan a 2017 staff in-service focusing on active shooter training. The village administrator expressed interest in possibly making this an all village staff training.
- Bosben shared a clip with the Board from a documentary film about libraries, currently in production. The people making the film were keynote speakers at the annual library conference. The film is entitled: *Free For All: Inside the Public Library*.
- Interviews for the open library assistant position are in-progress.
- Mary Mirkes will be approved as a library trustee at the November 28 Village Board meeting.

Old Business: 2017 Budget Update

Bosben presented the 2016 capital budget to the Village Board on November 7. The Village Board requested two more estimates. Trustee, Cliff Zander, who is in the HVAC business, will gather the estimates. The public hearing on the 2017 Village budget is on November 28.

New Business: Booksite Subscription

Bosben reported that the library's website is being re-designed. As part of the re-design, the staff is interested in adding a service to the site called Booksite. Booksite is a subscription service that allows libraries to highlight new books on the library's homepage. The subscription service provides the infrastructure that allows patrons to click-on the book image and be taken to a description of the book and a link to the library's on-line catalog, where they can instantly place a hold. The Board would like more information and discussed ways to finance the trial subscription.

South Central Library System/Dane County Library Service Updates

Dane County Library Directors recently met. Dane County Library Service Director, Tracy Herold, has done an excellent job of bringing guests to the meetings who might create potential partnerships with Dane County libraries. This month's guest was Leo Van Asten of Rhapsody Arts Center. Beyond the Page grants were discussed and discussion also included the possibility of an all-Dane County libraries annual in-service.

Next meeting is December 13 (note change) at 5:15 p.m.

Adjournment: Schuetz moved to adjourn and Schunk seconded/ meeting adjourned at 5:55 pm.