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Library Board Meeting

Approved Minutes

February 16, 2017

1. Call to order: Meeting called to order by Judeen Bartos at 6:31pm.
2. Roll call: Judeen Bartos, Richard Consul, Kelly Farrah, Adrienne Gilmore, Amanda Hanlin, Mary Riegler; Kevin Yezbick-late with notice, Interim Director Darlene Hellenberg.
3. Approval of agenda:
Motion: Approve the agenda as presented. (Hanlin/second Consul); passed unanimously.
4. Minutes: Approve January 19, 2017 regular meeting proposed minutes:
Motion: Approve January 19, 2017 regular meeting proposed minutes. (Gilmore/second Riegler); passed unanimously.
5. Public Comments: None.
6. Election of Officer: Hanlin submitted her resignation as Vice President.
Hanlin nominated Gilmore for the office of Vice President, Riegler seconded. Gilmore accepted nomination.
Roll Call Vote: Bartos – yes, Consul-yes, Farrah-yes, Gilmore-yes, Hanlin-yes, Riegler-yes.
7. Director's Report: (See att.) Some highlights:
 - Paperwork submitted to DTE regarding sales tax refund
 - Hoopla roll-out going great. Users find it easy to use. As of 2/16/17, 239 patrons have registered; \$2.15 average cost per item downloaded; library prepaid \$3,000 at Hoopla startup.
 - The Ferndale Reads program is getting a makeover. FADL will be partnering with other local libraries to launch an expanded "Reads" program in 2018 with the book, My Friend Dahmer, by Derf Backderf. For 2017, FADL will hold a Reading Challenge with prize drawing for submitted Haiku reviews of books read.

Kevin Yezbick entered the meeting at 6:42pm.

8. Employee Medical Leave - Formal Resolution for Eve Foley:

Motion: See attached. (Farrah/Hamlin seconded); passed unanimously.

9. University High School – Evacuation Plan Review

Board and interim Director reviewed evacuation plan proposal regarding University High School and the library as a potential location. More information is needed and the Board and interim Director will work with library legal counsel and district leadership to obtain further information and address concerns.

9. Director Search: The board discussed the positive progression of the search.

10. Committee reports:

A. Art & Exhibitions: Yezbick discussed the next art exhibition in the library, “Tranquil Transcendence”, Feb 20-April 2017, with the Artist Reception for Sanda Cook on March 2, 2017. The committee is working on nameplates for the artwork newly donated to FADL.

B. Building: Hanlin discussed need for committee members. Discussion on the Friends of the Ferndale Library (FFL) requests regarding the FFL Bookstore for more prominent signage and light switch changes. Yezbick noted the need for more permanent signage solutions at entrance to community rooms.

C. Communications: Committee Chair Riegler is engaged in researching the role of the Communications Committee Chair.

D. Friends of the Ferndale Library: Farrah discussed FFL’s recent strategic planning meeting and relayed details on their upcoming event, Caddy Stacks, which is nine holes of miniature golf inside the library on March, 12, 2017, from 1pm-4pm. FFL is seeking sponsors for the event.

E. Finance: No Report.

F. Personnel: No Report.

G. Schools: No committee at this time. Bartos is working on initial development of this new committee.

14. Appointment of committee members (if needed):

A. Hanlin nominated Jason Cheadle for appointment to the Building Committee, Bartos approved the appointment.

15. Review action items:

A. Hellenberg/Bartos will consult library legal counsel and work with district administration regarding evacuation site proposal.

16. Announcements/comments from board members:

- A. Gilmore announced confirmed plans for Herzig Brunch.
- B. Gilmore asked the Finance Committee to review policies of the banking institutions FADL uses.
- C. Consul thanked Hellenberg for the tour of the library arranged for Riegle and Consul.
- D. Yezbick is enthusiastic about the author and book selected for the 2018 "Reads" even though there will not be a 2017 Ferndale Reads. Yezbick also mentioned the book Surfing the Back Wave: Brand Leadership in a Digital Age, that he acquired at a recent conference.

17. Adjourn:

Motion: Adjourn the meeting at 7:40pm. (Gilmore/second Consul) passed unanimously.

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