Library Board Meeting
Approved Board Minutes
February 21, 2019 - 6:30 PM

1. Call to order:
Meeting called to order by Judeen Bartos at 6:30 pm.
3. Roll call: Judeen Bartos, Kelly Farrah, Amanda Hanlin, Beau Perry, Kevin Yezbick. Director Jenny Marr and Recording Secretary Kerrie Patterson also present. Daniel Hooper and Adrienne Gilmore absent with notice.
4. Approval of agenda: Table the art donation consideration discussion until next meeting.
Motion: Approve the agenda as amended. (Hanlin/second Yezbick); passed unanimously.
5. Minutes: Approve January 17, 2019 regular meeting proposed minutes:
Motion: Approve January 17, 2019 regular meeting proposed minutes. (Farrah/second Perry); passed unanimously.
6. Public comment: Mary Fredericks and Dominic Scappaticci from the Ferndale Garden Club discussed a proposal to add a Blue Star Marker on the library premises in the form of a plaque on a large stone. The exact location would be up to the library. The Garden Club would pay for and maintain it. The library would host an event to unveil the marker, and the Garden Club would coordinate it. The plaque takes a 3-month turnaround and the paperwork needs to be in by May 15, 2019.
7. Director’s report: (See att.) Verbal discussion of written report.
8. Youth Services Discussion: Head of Youth Services Jordan Wright was present to discuss potential future youth services programming. He also gave the board a rundown of current programming.
9. Acceptance of expenditures and finance reports for the month of January:
Motion: Accept the expenditures and finance reports for the month of January. (Farrah/second Hanlin); passed unanimously.
10. Budget Process Discussion: (See att.) Marr gave an overview of the budget process to the board, since budget season is coming soon. The board developed a 3-year budget last year, so much of the planning has been completed except for needed revisions. There will be a finance committee meeting before the next board meeting.
11. Annual State Library Survey: (See att). Discussion of the numbers. Digital services saw a huge jump. Most program attendance and general visits have gone up as well.
12. Baker College Project updates: (See att.) Discussion of how the college and parking deck would affect the library. Marr is on the steering committee and attending their meetings to discuss how the current plans would impact the library.
13. Art Donation for Consideration: Tabled until next month’s meeting.
14. Committee reports:
   A. Art & Exhibitions: Bartos loves the current artwork. The reception for Anthony R. Brass is this Sunday, from 2-4 pm. The committee will meet again on March 4, 2019 and will discuss the art donation for consideration. The donor wall will also be discussed. The Ferndale Chamber wants to do Artist in You with Ferndale students again. Staff member Jeff Milosevich is helping arrange this. There will also be a 2-week gap where there will be no art on display coming soon, and Marr wants to use that time period to get the community room walls repainted.
B. Friends of the FPL: The Friends of the FPL won the Friends of Michigan Libraries merit award for its service and donations to the library. Highlights include the Lucky Day collection, new refrigerator, First Stop Friday, Summer Concert Series, and the Cake-Off. The reception went well.
C. Finance: Will meet soon.
D. Personnel: No report.
E. Schools: Hanlin needs to meet with Marr.

15. Fees and Fines: Tabled for next meeting. Prior to the next meeting, the Board will watch TED Talk and review documents provided by Marr regarding fines.

16. Review action items:
   A. Farrah will create a password for the board email, and send it out to the board.
   B. The board will consider/discuss the Blue Star Marker.
   C. Marr will check in with department heads about their budget needs.
   D. Marr will draft a list of considerations for the board about the Baker College project.
   E. Marr will scan the art donation form for the board to review.
   F. The board will watch the TED Talk and read the research about fines before next meeting.

17. Announcements/comments from board members:
   A. Farrah thanked Marr for being on the steering committee of the college to give feedback.
   B. Bartos thanked everyone for being involved in the community and the board.
   C. Yezbick wondered how many copies of *Number One Chinese Restaurant* were left. There are plenty left if the board wants personal copies.

18. Adjourn:
Motion: Adjourn the meeting at 8:10 pm. (Hanlin/second Yezbick); passed unanimously.

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