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Library Board Meeting

Approved Minutes

December 12, 2024 - 6:30 PM

Board Meeting

1. Call to order: Meeting called to order by Judeen Bartos at 6:31 p.m.
2. Roll call: Judeen Bartos, Kelly Farrah, Adrienne Fazzolara, Erin Hooper, Amanda Hanlin, Kevin Yezbick, Meghan Evoy
Director Jordan Wright and Assistant Director/Recording Secretary Krocket Hoekstra also present.
3. Approval of agenda
A MOTION BY Hanlin and seconded by Evoy to amend the agenda adding Item 17a: Two Resolutions of Service and Gratitude.
A MOTION BY Yezbick and seconded by Evoy to approve the agenda as amended; passed unanimously.
4. Minutes: Approve November 21, 2024 regular meeting and closed session meeting
A MOTION BY Hooper and seconded by Farrah to approve the November 21, 2024 regular meeting minutes as presented; passed unanimously.
A MOTION BY Farrah and seconded by Hanlin to approve the November 21, 2024 closed session meeting minutes as presented; passed unanimously.
5. Financial Audit Presentation: This has been postponed until the January 2025 board meeting.
6. Staff Presentation – Kelly Hovinga – Adult Services Librarian
Hovinga has been a Full Time Adult Services Librarian at FADL for 8 months. She shared information on her background and interests as well as the extensive programming she provides for FADL patrons. She also spoke about implementing improvements to workflow and services.
7. Public comment – *Total time not to exceed 30 minutes, 3 minutes per speaker*
8. Director's report: Jordan Wright
Wright shared an update on the remaining work needed to complete the construction project, staff changes, the new self-check machines, and the audit.
9. Acceptance of expenditures and finance reports for the month of November
A MOTION by Hanlin and seconded by Farrah to accept the finance reports for the month of November; passed unanimously.
10. 2025 Board Meeting schedule – discussion.
There was discussion if third Thursdays are still the best day to meet, moving the start time of Board Meetings to 6 pm, that the December meeting will be one week early, and that the Board will meet once in the months of July and August, but not both months.
11. Potential Closure Approval – MLK Jr. Day for major system maintenance scheduled by TLN
A MOTION by Evoy and seconded by Hooper to approve a library closure on January 20th, 2025; passed unanimously.
12. Director selection – process and updates
13. Officer Selection process for January – discussion
14. Board Calendar of Events

15. Committee reports

A. Art & Exhibitions – Erin: No report

B. Friends of the FPL – Kelly: the Friends will meet next Monday

C. Finance – Judeen and Kevin: did not meet this month

D. Personnel – Adrienne: Adrienne recommends updating at the Director evaluation process in 2025

E. Schools – Meghan: Meghan shared updates from Everett Pine, Head of Youth Services.

16. Comments from outgoing Board members

Fazzolara gave a summary of the board's accomplishments during her tenure and hopes that the board continues to represent the city of Ferndale with strong steady stewardship.

Bartos reflected on how much the library has grown since she joined the board more than a decade ago.

17. Resolution of Service – Jordan Wright; passed unanimously.

17a.

-Resolution Honoring Judeen Bartos for Distinguished Service as board President of Ferndale Area District Library Board; passed unanimously.

-Resolution of Gratitude and Appreciation- Adrienne Fazzolara; passed unanimously.

18. Committee membership appointments as needed

Kelly Farrah has been appointed to the Personnel Committee

19 Review action items

20. Announcements/comments from board members

Hooper thanked Wright for his service and wished him well. She also thanked Bartos and Fazzolara for their service.

Farrah thanked Wright for his work on the Collective Bargaining Agreement and wished him luck. She said it was an honor to work with Fazzolara and thanked Bartos for her leadership.

Yezbick congratulated Wright and thanked Bartos and Fazzolara for their leadership.

Bartos thanked Wright for his leadership and expressed gratitude for the entire board.

Evoy congratulated Wright and wished him all the best. She thanked Bartos and Fazzolara for their professionalism and grace.

Hanlin reflected on the milestones that have taken place in the last 10 years on the board and how many challenges were overcome.

Fazzolara thanked Wright and Bartos for their many years of service.

21. Adjourn

A MOTION by Yezbick and seconded by Fazzolara to adjourn at 8:44 pm; passed unanimously

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