

DIRECTOR  
Jenny Marr

BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
Judeen Bartos  
Meghan Evoy  
Kelly Farrah  
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Amanda Hanlin  
Erin Hooper  
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## Library Board Meeting

### Approved Minutes

April 20, 2023 - 6:30 PM

#### Board Meeting

1. Call to order: Meeting called to order by Judeen Bartos at 6:30PM.
2. Roll call: Judeen Bartos, Meghan Evoy, Kelly Farrah, Adrienne Fazzolara, Amanda Hanlin, Erin Hooper, Kevin Yezbick. Director Jenny Marr and Assistant Director/Recording Secretary Wright also present.
3. Approval of agenda  
**A MOTION by Evoy and seconded by Farrah to approve the agenda as presented;** passed unanimously
4. Public comment:  
5 non-residents announced their support of the Ferndale Library Workers Union.
5. Minutes: Approve March 16, 2023 regular meeting minutes  
**A MOTION by Yezbick and seconded by Hanlin to approve minutes from the March 16 meeting as proposed;** passed unanimously  
Minutes: Approve March 16, 2023 closed session minutes  
**A MOTION by Yezbick and seconded by Hooper to approve minutes from the closed session on March 16<sup>th</sup> as proposed;** passed unanimously
6. Director's Report  
See packet materials for programming information. Marr reminded the Board about the city's Volunteer Appreciation Night on May 9<sup>th</sup> and encouraged the Board of Directors to attend. Ferndale City Council approved the library's leases on dedicated parking spaces, which have been very popular with patrons. The Board's budget hearing will be during the next Board meeting in May.
7. Acceptance of expenditures and finance reports for the month of March  
**A MOTION by Hanlin and seconded by Farrah to accept expenditures and finance reports for the month of March;** passed unanimously
8. Board bylaws/Policies Revision Recommendations
  - a. Children and Vulnerable Adults in the Library Policy  
**A MOTION by Yezbick and seconded by Fazzolara to approve the Children and Vulnerable Adults in the Library Policy as presented;** pass unanimously
  - b. Volunteer Policy  
Evoy discussed the necessity of background checks for volunteers. Marr suggested handling that procedurally rather than by policy.  
**A MOTION by Hooper and seconded by Fazzolara to approve the Volunteer Policy as presented;** passed unanimously
9. Juneteenth discussion and motion  
Marr asked the board makes a decision regarding a potential library closure regarding June 19<sup>th</sup>. Previous closures were on weekends and were unpaid holidays for staff. In 2023, Juneteenth falls on a weekday. City Hall will be open that day. The board agreed that as Juneteenth is a celebration of Independence, that it should be treated similarly to July 4<sup>th</sup>.

**A MOTION by Hanlin and seconded by Evoy to approve a library closure and a paid holiday for staff in commemoration of Juneteenth on June 19, 2023.**

**10. Board Calendar of Events**

Budget Hearing and Director Evaluation in May

**11. Committee reports**

**A. Art & Exhibitions – Erin**

The committee met in person on Saturday. The committee has selected some art pieces to purchase for the library's permanent collection. May's exhibitor has dropped off, but committee members will be providing some pieces for a mini-show. Art would be hung May 9<sup>th</sup>. Art exhibitions are planned through the summer.

**B. Friends of the FPL – Kelly**

The Friends has a new vice-president, Ed Burns is currently acting as both President and Treasurer. The off-site book sale was a success.

**C. Equity, Diversity and Inclusion – Amanda**

No Report

**D. Finance – Judeen and Kevin**

The finance committee met Monday; the report is in the materials packet.

**E. Personnel – Adrienne**

The Director evaluation materials will be delivered to Board members this month, and the evaluation will take place at the May meeting.

**F. Schools – Meghan**

No report.

**12. \*\*\*Closed Session to be convened – For strategy and negotiation sessions connected with the negotiation of a collective bargaining agreement if either negotiating party requests a closed hearing, in accordance with Sec. 8(1)(c) of the Open Meetings Act (OMA) MCL 15.268.**

**A MOTION by Hooper and seconded by Farrah to enter a closed session at 7:22PM.**

Roll call vote:

Yes: Bartos, Evoy, Farrah, Fazzolara, Hanlin, Hooper, Yezbick

No: 0

Fazzolara exited 8:24pm

Returned from closed session at 8:49 PM

**13. Committee membership appointments as needed**

None.

**14. Review action items**

None.

**15. Announcements/comments from board members**

None.

**16. Adjourn**

**A MOTION by Yezbick and seconded by Evoy to adjourn at 8:49pm; passed unanimously**

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