

Minutes of the Tamarack District Library Board of Trustees

Regular Meeting

May 11, 2017, 6:30 PM

Tamarack District Library

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:30 by Board President Cheri Chapin.

Present: Board members Cheri Chapin, Pat Hinrichs, Kathy Nerychel, Sue Draper, Cathy Ackerson, and Diane Robson; Library Director Hope Nobel.

Absent: Tim Rasmussen, Cindi Gigowski (resigning)

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Draper to approve minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Public Comment: None.

Financial Report: Nobel submitted a report of the fiscal year to date for the Board's review.

Communications: None submitted.

Committee Reports:

- **Budget & Finance:** Met Thursday, May 4. Draper presented a brief written report.
- **Policy & Public Relations:** Did not meet; no report.
- **Facilities & Grounds:** Did not meet; no report.

Director's Report: State aid passed the Senate with an increase, but is likely to be cut by the House. Advocacy may be required there, and in response to federal budget cuts. Nobel is once again chair of the LLC Advisory Council, and has also been asked to serve on a committee to examine additional patron services for the cooperative. Doreen Fisher is no longer employed by the library, and Nobel is posting a Literacy Coordinator position. The 8CAP Foster Grandparent program will be partnering with the library for the period of the Summer Reading Program. Our second Library Showcase took place, and photos of the special use items introduced at the showcase can be seen online; there will be an article in the paper. The Friends of the Library kicked off the Birthday Book Club, and the library will continue to work through details with them for this new program. The second Tamarack Times is complete, thanks to a team effort by the Friends and the library.

Old Business: The Property Transfer Agreement is at the lawyer.

New Business:

- **Library Friends Operating Agreement:** Nobel shared a copy of the draft agreement for the Board's first reading. The Transition Committee has had its first meeting, with two more scheduled.
- **Budget revision, current year:** Hinrichs moved that the budget be approved as revised. Motion carried.
- **Budget review, next fiscal year:** First reading, to be voted on next month. No adjustments were requested.
- **Discussion of grant monies:** Nobel recommended to the Board that the disbursements available from the library's two community foundations be used for current projects. Nerychel moved that the full amount available from the Greenville Area Community Foundation be requested, to be put toward a replacement for the library's digital sign. Nobel will make up the remaining amount with end of year funds from the operating budget. Motion carried. Hinrichs moved that the \$600.00 available from the Sutherland Family Fund be requested, to be used for the library's proposed STEAM kits. Motion carried.
- **ACH loan payment:** Ackerson moved that the Board approve the automatic withdrawal funds for the annual balance and interest payment on the loan. Motion carried.

Next Meeting: Either June 8 or June 22, subject to quorum availability, at 6:30 p.m.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn made at 7:45 by Draper. Motion carried.

Signed as approved: _____

Recorder

Date

Signed as approved: _____

Meeting Chair

Date