

Board of Directors Meeting February 12th, 2019

Trustees Present: Donald Comstock, Mark L Finn, Laurie Hennessey, Emily Peavey, Janice Porter, and Anne Sobeck.

Trustees Absent: Connie Synakowski, Voni Walker, and Ed Pekarek.

Call to Order: President Donald Comstock called the February 12th, 2019 meeting to order at 7:35am.

Discussion and Approval of Minutes: Motion made by Trustee Peavey and seconded by Trustee Porter to approve the January 2019 minutes. Motion carried.

Director's Report: Director Gunning presented the January circulation and program statistics.

• News from the Library

- 1. The Library is partnering with Lit West to deliver books to the Allegany County Jail.
- 2. Will Eisner Foundation application re-submitted for their Innovation Grant Program.
- 3. Second year of the "Endless Book Club" is going well.
- 4. The Library applied to host a rotating exhibition on Women's History and Suffrage from the South Central Library Council. With hopes to have the exhibit for March.
- 5. Jess is settling in with her new responsibilities with the auditorium well.
- 6. Nic and Eric attended the ALA conference.
- 7. Working on the Annual Report to the State with Niki and Amanda attending continuing education seminars to aid in the process.

• Department Reports:

- 1. Youth Services:
 - a. The annual Anti-Valentine's Day party is set for February 13th.
 - b. Teen Photo Classes start next month.

- c. Nic, Eric, and Kate will be reading to the Elementary classes on March 1st for Reading Across America.
- d. Sign Language classes are off to a great start. Fifty people have attended the first two classes.
- e. Kate will be attending the Summer Showcase at STLS Headquarters on March 6th to gain inspiration for the upcoming summer reading program.

• 2. Technology:

a. Ken has contacted Ricoh about updating the copier.

• 3. Building and Grounds

- a. Doug Reed is coming back to look at an issue with the emergency light in the auditorium.
- b. Work on the new office continues.
- c. All upholstery work is complete.
- d. During the high wind storms last week a hatched was blown off the roof as the hinges gave way. Work to repair the hatch will be complete when weather allows.

Committee Reports:

Friends Report:

Old Business: Discussion on the open board seats to be filled in by April of 2019. Several Trustees are reaching out to prospective candidates.

New Business: Discussion held on using the Front Terrace area as a location for a possible structural addition to the Library.

Adjournment: Motion by Trustee Peavey second by Trustee Hennessey to adjourn the meeting at 8:59 am. Motion Carried.

Mark L Finn Vice President Acting Secretary