Louis Latzer Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes Tuesday, February 20, 2024

The monthly meeting of the Louis Latzer Library board was called to order by Sharon Rinderer on Tuesday, February 20, 2024 at 5:00 p.m.

Roll call showed the following members were present:

Nancy Genteman Amy Kloss Susan Martz Justin McLaughlin - absent Marshall Rinderer - absent Sharon Rinderer Joshua Short Shaun Voegele Bill Wagner

Associate Members: Louis Latzer

William Piper - absent Director: Angela Kim

January Minutes: Nancy Genteman motioned to approve the minutes and Josh Short

seconded. Motion carried.

Public Forum: None

Treasurer's Report: Short presented reports for December 2023 and January 2024. Shaun Voegele moved to approve the reports and Bill Wagner seconded. Motion passed.

January 2024 Bills: Short motioned to pay the bills and Genteman seconded. Roll was called with Voegele abstaining. Motion carried.

Librarian's Report: The Optimists donated an additional \$2,500.00 towards the Children's Library ceiling and lighting project.

Angela Kim, Rotary President, was invited to speak on behalf of the Rotary Club to the BEA.

Donna Plocher and Josie Elliot will attend the Solar Science Program, organized by the Illinois State Library, in Springfield, IL on April 8.

The last plantation shutters were installed in the Genealogy Room.

Kim has asked the Rotary for help with landscaping upkeep.

A few staff members have been out with Covid.

Tobi from Holly's House of Hope will be working four hours a week on Mondays.

Illinois has changed Notary Public requirements; however, the library will continue to provide the service.

Donna Plocher is already working on the Summer Reading Program.

Book Committee Report: A total of 31 books were donated.

Unfinished Business: Kim is still working on the strategic plan.

Kim presented both a 6% and a 7% employee budget raise. Both budgets bring all employees up to the \$15.00 an hour minimum wage requirement. Short motioned to approve the 7% budget and Amy Kloss seconded. Roll was called and the motion passed.

After reviewing the 2024/2025 Library Budget, Wagner motioned to approve the budget and Genteman seconded. Roll was called and the motion carried.

New Business: In regard to funding the Children's Llbrary ceiling and lighting work, the board decided to close the Bradford Bank accounts #3942 and #3934 and move the money to the FCB account ending in #4401. Wagner motioned to approve and Short seconded. Roll was called and the motion carried.

The board approved up to \$40,000.00 to pay for the Children's Library ceiling and lighting work. Wagner motioned to approve and Voegele seconded. Roll was called and the motion carried.

Other Business: None.

Adjournment: Wagner motioned to adjourn and Kloss seconded. The motion carried.

The next scheduled meeting will be Tuesday, March 19, 2024.