BEECHER COMMUNITY LIBRARY Monthly Board Meeting Tuesday, December 14, 2021 7:00 PM

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

TRUSTEE ROLL CALL: Biery, present Bunte, present Czarnecki, present, Kerber, present Saller, present, Stamper, present Wehling, present. Jill Grosso and Vicki Squier were also present.

Additional Agenda Items: None

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Regular & Executive session minutes from the November 16, 2021 meeting were reviewed. Following review, Wehling moved to accept minutes as presented, seconded by Kerber.

Biery, yes Bunte, abstain Czarnecki, yes, Kerber, yes, Saller, yes, Stamper, yes, Wehling, yes. Motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Bunte presented the Treasurer's report & Financial recap. Following board review, Stamper moved to approve both reports, seconded by Czarnecki. Biery, yes Bunte, yes Czarnecki, yes Kerber, yes Saller, yes, Stamper, yes, Wehling, yes. Motion passed.

The Outstanding Bills were reviewed. Following review and noting additions, Biery moved to approve payment of Outstanding bills, totaling \$18,681.67 plus any late additions, seconded by Czarnecki.

Biery, yes Bunte, yes Czarnecki, yes Kerber, yes Saller, yes, Stamper, yes, Wehling, yes. Motion passed.

The Budget Comparison was reviewed and found to be sound.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- Statistics for November were up, others remain stable. The Meeting Rooms continue to be used regularly.
- Programs numbers are not picking up as we hoped. Just one person signed-up for the Pinterest Party, which was cancelled. The MAKE A PRESENT FOR YOUR PARENT program had 11 attendees. The two COVID 19 Vaccine Clinics had 65 and 46 participants. Due to the success of the 2 clinics, the board unanimously agreed to hold more in the

future, to include children. Health Dept. regulations would apply regarding children. If adult & children's clinics need to be held separately, we will comply. Jill will remain apprised of the situation. To be announced.

- Jill distributed photos of pop-up books for the children that she would like to purchase. The board agreed that the books are wonderful and will be for library use only, not for check-out. Their subject matter is likeable & very familiar to young people: Disney, Harry Potter, LEGO, BUGS, etc. Board agreed this is a great idea & she should go ahead with her plan.
- Jill reports that Karen Rock has hit the ground running and is planning, coordinating and presenting activities for the youngsters. Her plans include activities for now, through the winter break and through February. Details about the "Beecher Bookworm Buddies" ('Story-Time' was re-branded) are available on Facebook and via BBB business cards, which are being handed-out to the children.
- Jill summarized the information in her packet concerning books she ordered, Staff Meeting agenda & other information requested by the board.

CORRESPONDENCE

Letter to Ms. Dawn Gess thanking her for training Betty so well.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Building/Grounds: Rick reports Com-Ed informed us that the large Ash tree next to the Creek out back (southeast) is impinging on the wires and must come down. They will remove the tree if we don't. Following discussion, Board agreed to allow them to remove the tree at no cost to us. Housekeeping: Kathy reports the cleaning crew is great, ready for the Holidays!

Landscaping: Michelle has no report for December.

Schools: Friday will be the last day of school for the Holidays. Very little Covid in school.

Social: As she has done for the December meeting for many years, Beverly treated the board to homemade Christmas cookies and coffee to celebrate the Christmas Holidays. Members showed our appreciation with a big 'Thank-You' to Beverly!

General: Shirley has no report at this time.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: Vicki thanked the board for allowing her grandson Dylan's class to make a field-trip to the library to see his LEGO

display in the showcase. Dylan had constructed the entire collection and was humbled, yet delighted to see his classmates' reactions. A good day!

OLD BUSINESS: Rick gave an update on the constant mechanical issues with the HVAC system. The issue will have to be dealt with in the near future, as L&H seems to be overwhelmed with work & short staffed. L&H has been less than satisfactory in their response to our needs. Jill agreed to call & follow-up with them as to when they intend to return to finish the job. Shirley asked everyone to inquire about any other companies to consider for this work. Recommendations should include an Engineering firm who are knowledgeable about & familiar with Library HVAC Systems.

NEW BUSINESS

Jill summarized 'Chapter 10, Programming Checklist' required for the per-Capita grant. We are well in compliance with Chapter 10.

Biery moved to go into executive session to discuss personnel at 7:45 p.m., seconded by Czarnecki.

Biery, yes Bunte, yes Czarnecki, yes Kerber, yes Saller, yes, Stamper, yes Wehling, yes. Motion passed.

Board returned to regular session at 8:12 p.m.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Regular Board Meeting, January 18, 2022 at 7 p.m.

Saller moved to adjourn at 8:14 p.m., seconded by Kerber. Biery, yes Bunte, yes Czarnecki, yes Kerber, yes Saller, yes, Stamper, yes Wehling, yes. Motion passed.

Kathryn A. Czarnecki

Kathryn A. Cyunecki. Secretary