

Board of Library Directors' Meeting Minutes
Zoom Meeting February 2, 2021

Call to Order: 7:35 pm

Attendees: Sandy Mazeau, Sandy Hierl, Sri Srinivasan, Rebecca Furer, Tricia Galvin, Jodi Kryzanski, Marie Spratlin Hasskarl, Madisyn Sadecki, **Absent:** Kevin Mullen, Craig Winters
Visitors: Scott Norton, Staff, Jenn Cavallari (potential new Board member)

Introduction of History Specialist: Scott Norton joined us and shared with us his background and his interest in history and projects he is interested in pursuing. One specific project is the Throw Back Thursday images currently posted weekly on Instagram.

TAB Update: February plans very similar to January. January activities were generally very successful. Dungeon and Dragons group - always good turnout. Current event activity has not been - but looking to tweak to increase participation. February summary: Game night Feb 1 good turnout, Hunger Games, Craft for the month - blanket making, Writing Club - lower turnout, but consistent participants

Approval of Minutes: Motion to approve Tricia Galvin; seconded by Jodi Kryzanski

Correspondence: No Correspondence

News for the Friends: Held a meeting, passed a provisional budget using past practice will adjust when needed or able to do so, still planning an online book sale. Comparing this year to the same time last year - the Friends have a significant increase in donations with the same amount of donors.

Director's Report:

Budget expenditures appropriate for time of year - 56% of budget spent, 58% into the budget year. Noted Propane low for time of year, the number is likely not to be up to date.

New Business:

Discussed the possibility of supporting a "fine free" policy for the library. Marie shared the record of fines collected over the past years to illustrate the potential loss of income (approximately \$3,000 to \$4,000 per year). Continued to discuss whether or not to continue to charge our patrons' fines. At the beginning of the pandemic the library stopped collecting fines. As did all the other libraries in Library Connection. One suggestion was to continue to charge fines but have amnesty type days/periods. Automatic renewals is a feature that is patron friendly that helps to eliminate fines for keeping a book longer to finish etc. Decided not to make any recommendations to change the policy at this time.

Building and Grounds: Status Quo - no changes

Meeting Adjourned: 8:10 pm

Next Meeting: March 2, 2021

Minutes submitted by Jodi Kryzanski, secretary