MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
NEW ALBANY-FLOYD COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
SEPTEMBER 9, 2019

Presiding Officer: Mr. Roger Whaley, President
Board Members present: Gabrielle Carr, Pamela Poe, Ann Carruthers, and Amy Niemeier
Board Members absent: Tonye Rutherford and Steve Burks
Board Attorney: Mr. Jason Lopp was present
Staff Members present: Melissa Merida, Sandra Fortner, Erin McCorkle, Teresa Moulton, Eileen Yanoviak, Laura Wilkins, Amanda Harris, and Abby Johnson
Guests present: None

PUBLIC HEARING ON 2020 BUDGET

Ms. Merida explained several points from the 2020 budget. There was no public input.

Ms. Niemeier moved: That the Public Hearing be adjourned.
Seconded by: Ms. Poe      Motion: approved

OPEN REGULAR MEETING

Mr. Whaley called the regular meeting to order.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval and signing of Board minutes of August 12, 2019 meeting
B. Set Board Meeting for October 1, 2019
C. Approval of Bills and Invoices to be paid

Ms. Carr moved: That the consent agenda be approved.
Seconded by: Ms. Carruthers      Motion: approved

PUBLIC INPUT

None

PERSONNEL

Sandra Fortner reported that Carolyn Gerton will retire on November 29.
DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Library Updates:
Ms. Merida reported that the State Board of Accounts audit is beginning. Audits occur every four years. The Budget hearing with the County Council is September 10 at 9:30 a.m. Eileen Yanoviak reported that the Carnegie’s Taste of Art and History Gala had about 200 people in attendance and raised a record-breaking $61,800. Fund for the Arts is launching a Cultural Pass program during the school year. This program is different from the Summer Cultural Pass, and the Library is not a distribution site.

FOUNDATION REPORT

Mr. Whaley had no news to report.

OLD BUSINESS

Parking lot – Harvest Homecoming:
Ms. Merida reported that it would be a significant liability to rent out the parking lot during Harvest Homecoming. No further action will be taken.

Eileen Yanoviak author contract:
Mr. Lopp has reviewed the contract. He explained relevant laws to consider, specifically ghost employment and conflict of interest laws. He discussed with Ms. Yanoviak and the Board possible scenarios and potential problems. Ms. Yanoviak agreed to do any book related activities outside of work hours, and Mr. Lopp suggested writing a document to define expectations between her and the Board. Mr. Lopp also asked to see her job description to make sure there is no conflict of interest in job duties. Mr. Lopp and Ms. Yanoviak are to work together further to gather information.

NEW BUSINESS

Revise uniform policies:
The policy needs updating to include safety officer uniforms, as well as all-staff uniform requirements on Mondays. This issue will be tabled until the revised policy is ready.

Ms. Carr moved: That the uniform policy be tabled. Seconded by: Ms. Niemeier Motion: approved

Internship grant funds:
Ms. Merida explained the resolution (copy appended). Grant money to fund an internship needs to be moved from a gift appropriation into a payroll appropriation.

Ms. Poe moved: That resolution 19-FIN-006 be approved. Seconded by: Ms. Carr Motion: approved

ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business the meeting was adjourned.