MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
NEW ALBANY-FLOYD COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
JANUARY 13, 2020

Presiding Officer: Roger Whaley, President
Board Members present: Gabrielle Carr, Ann Carruthers, Pamela Poe, Amy Niemeier, and Tonye Rutherford
Board Members absent: Steve Burks
Board Attorney: Jason Lopp was not present
Staff Members present: Melissa Merida, Sandra Fortner, Erin McCorkle, Laura Wilkins, Teresa Moulton, Abby Johnson, Eileen Yanoviak, Joe Shepherd, and Elizabeth Esarey
Guests present: None

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The proposed officers for 2020:
President – Tonye Rutherford, Vice President – Pamela Poe, Secretary – Ann Carruthers

Ms. Carr moved: That the proposed slate of officers be accepted.
Seconded by: Ms. Poe Motion: approved

Appoint Committees:
The Board decided that the Building Improvements committee will be Mr. Burks and Mr. Whaley. The Salary and Benefits committee will be Ms. Carr and Ms. Niemeier. The Governance Board of Supporting Groups committee will be Ms. Carruthers and Ms. Poe.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval and signing of Board minutes of December 9 and December 30 meetings
B. Set Board Meeting for February 10, 2020
C. Approval of Bills and Invoices to be paid
D. Items to be declared surplus

Ms. Poe asked to remove Item D for discussion.

Ms. Carr moved: That consent agenda items A, B, and C be approved.
Seconded by: Ms. Carruthers Motion: approved

Ms. Poe asked about surplussed items being in compliance with state disposal guidelines. Ms. Merida explained disposal procedures and stated that we are in compliance. Board discussion followed.

Ms. Carr moved: That Item D be approved.
Seconded by: Ms. Niemeier Motion: approved
PUBLIC INPUT

None

PERSONNEL

Sandra Fortner introduced two new staff members in attendance. Joe Shepherd and Elizabeth Esarey are Customer Service Liaisons who started work today.

DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Ms. Merida commended the staff for their hard work while being so short staffed lately. At the year-end meeting, D-tech was selected for RFID and the project will be paid for with Rainy Day funds. We will have to request additional appropriations to use Rainy Day. One company has sent us an open records request to see the other bids. The resolution adopted at the December 30 meeting was passed around for signatures for those who had voted.

Financially the year ended well; we were over the $500,000 mark to carry over and the December tax draw was $1,051,513.20.

Ms. Merida encouraged Board members to go with her to participate in Legislative Day in Indianapolis on February 10. Mr. Whaley volunteered to attend.

Eileen Yanoviak reported that the skate park is now open and warm weather is bringing in about 150 people a day. The first Discovery Day program, which replaces Family Fun Workshops, went very well. In 2019, the Carnegie served about 24,000 people, both in house and outreach.

FOUNDATION REPORT

The Foundation will have a regular meeting and annual public meeting on January 21 at 11am. They will review investments and elect new officers.

Ms. Carr moved: That Mr. Whaley be reappointed as the Foundation Liaison for 2020.

Seconded by: Ms. Poe Motion: approved

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Quarterly PLAC Report:
No PLAC cards were sold this quarter. Ms. Merida and Mr. Rutherford signed the report.

Representatives for Friends and Carnegie:
This Board appoints a liaison to the Foundation, but not to the Friends of the Library or Carnegie Inc. It would be a good idea to send representatives to these organizations’ meetings. Board discussion followed.

Mr. Whaley moved: That the issue be tabled.

Seconded by: Ms. Carr Motion: approved

Annual approval of Salary Chart:

Ms. Carr moved: That the Salary Chart be approved.

Seconded by: Mr. Whaley Motion: approved
ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business the meeting was adjourned.

Reviewed and approved by Board of Trustees..............................February 10, 2020

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