

STREATOR PUBLIC LIBRARY

Board Minutes

April 20, 2018

President Brain Kmetz called the April meeting of the Streator Public Library Board of Trustees to order at 6 p.m.

Present were board members Ed Brozak, Jane Farero, Gloria Gubbels, Brian Kmetz, Ellen Park, Dave Reed and Gary Wheeler and Library Director Cynthia Maxwell.

Board members Spencer Lawrence and Theresa Lukach were absent.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Board secretary Jane Farero presented the minutes of the March meeting. Motion by Ellen Park to accept the minutes as presented. Seconded by Ed Brozak. Motion passed by voice vote.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

The monthly treasurer's report was presented. Motion by Dave Reed to accept the report as presented. Seconded by Gary Wheeler. Motion passed by voice vote.

No bills were presented for payment.

CORRESPONDENCE

Director Maxwell has been notified that the library will be receiving \$10,644.99 from the Per Capita Grant this year and will receive \$17,137.50 in 2019.

LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The library has received a \$3,000 donation for carpeting for the Plumb Room. Director Maxwell received a quote of \$4,669 to carpet the room from Dick's Floor Covering.

The Friends of the Streator Public Library donated \$1,200 toward the cost of the summer reading program at the library.

Director Maxwell has applied for a \$4000 Jack Ezra Keats Mini-Grant for an 8 months art program project.

A problem occurred with inappropriate behavior by a group of teens in the library. The group did not respond to questions from Director Maxwell and was asked to leave. Staff members were given information on the group and are to notify the Streator Police Department if they come into the library again.

Staff member Ashley Meiners will be helping with the Friends of the Streator Public Library entry for the 4th of July parade.

Director Maxwell and Sarah Myers attended a graphic novels conference in March.

Director Maxwell has had an inquiry on having a wedding ceremony in the library. The policy committee will meet to attempt to establish some guidelines for this type of event.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

There was no report presented.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no committee reports

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Director Maxwell had no new information on when the renovation work on the Meeting Room would begin. The target date for the completion of the renovation is still Labor Day.

The Ramp Builders will be removing books from the Children's Room on Friday. Carpeting will be installed on April 30.

The new copy machine has been installed.

NEW BUSINESS

Director Maxwell is in contact with Prairie Cat about possible inter-governmental agreements with local areas. It was discovered that the LaSalle County map is out of date. RAILS will contact the state to bring the map up-to-date. No proposal can be made until this is done.

Additional information on a bike rack for the library was not available. Discussion on the matter was tabled until May.

Ed Brozak will have more information on possible improvements to the parking lot north of the library at the May meeting.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

Jane Wreith Farero
Board Secretary