

Putnam County Public Library District
Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees

March 13th, 2023

1) The Putnam County Public Library Board meeting was called to order at 7:06 pm by Bob Steele, President

2) Roll Call:

Present:

Bob Steele, President
Sean Brannon, Vice President
Joan Augustine, Treasurer
Merry Bassi, Secretary
Jo Ann Steffens, Trustee
Sally Young, Trustee
Bob Hamman, Trustee
Jay Kalman, Director
Marilyn Calbow, Assistant Director

Absent:

Guests: Dave Augustine

3) Correspondence: None

4) Committee Reports: None

5) Consent Agenda: Merry Bassi asked if we could also look at Citizen Science Project Library Kits for the Bonnee Lou Harris money. Bob Harman motioned to accept the librarian's report and statistics. Sean Brannon second. Motion carried.

6) Financial Report & Approval of Bills: Joan Augustine motioned to approve the financial report. Jo Ann Steffens second. Motion carried.

7) Bills for Approval: We discussed Transparency Language cost and its usage. The Board requested we do more Facebook pushes explaining what Transparency Language is and how to find it on our webpage. Bob Hamman motioned to approve the bills. Sally Young second. Motion carried.

8) Unfinished Business:

a) Condit Building: The Senachwine Library committee did meet. The committee discussed; 1) Do nothing, 2) upgrade the Condit Library, 3). Build a new building divided between a library and community center/senior center. One issue was the cost of maintaining the Condit Library. They're also looking into grants.

b) Unstaffed Libraries & Library Building Plan: We're waiting for Mike Kmetz redesign of the front and entrance to the library. Merry Bassi asked if Mike Kmetz could also look at solar or LED lighting for the front that was non light polluting and review our heating needs, i.e. could heat pumps be installed to ease our heating and cooling costs.

c) Troy Mobile: New phone equipment has been ordered.

d) Electrical at Granville: Tony Guisti has a new fan and lighting fixtures for the Granville Library garage and has put in an outlet for Granville.

9) New Business:

a) Certificates of Deposit: Granville National Bank requires a "Resolution Regarding Certificates of Deposit: Sean Brannon motioned to adopt the Resolution. Bob Hamman second . Motion carried.

b) Young Adults Club at Granville Library: We would have some type of advertisement prior to starting. Courtney Ossola would be the leader. Bernie Egan will work with Courtney to get it going. We'll will need to have an employee there during the Young Adult Book Club. Thank you Courtney.

c) Selection Policy Review: Jay Kalman reviewed the selection policy. One question is do we limit this to Putnam County Residents and that challenge must in writing for each book individually. Jay will send the policy out for review. The Selection Policy was tabled until next month.

10) Signing of paperwork (minutes, bills):

11) Others: Karen Verda quilted a cover to go on the Charlene & Pete Fassino table that is at the Granville library. A question was raised about whether Matt Miller looked into how we would store articles written about our libraries on our web page. This is Jo Ann Steffens and Merry Bassi last meeting.

12) Adjournment: Adjourned at 8:02 pm. Next meeting will be April 10th, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

Merry Bassi, Secretary