Putnam County Public Library District

Regular Meeting of the Board of Library Trustees

August 14, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 7:09 by Bob Steele.

Roll Call; present: Jay Kalman, Marilyn Calbow, Allison Voss, Bob Steele, Sally Young and Beth Mack, Bob Hamann. Guest: Mike Kmetz, Matt Miller. Absent: Joan Augustine, Sean Brannon

Mike Kmetz: had a discussion about the library in Granville. We talked about changing the garage and use it for an activity space. Talked about getting rid of the ramp and stairs inside of the building and making it a flat surface. Want to redo the stairs to the basement to make it safer going up and down. Take about 2 months for the projects and approximately $100,000.

Matt Miller: Birth to Five; excess overall the kids’ education, families, futures, based on income. Do have local focus group, there is a focus group in Lasalle. According to them children birth – 5, 88% children do not have access to any educational tools. They would like us to be able to have information at the libraries.

Correspondence: None

Committee Report: None

Consent Agenda:

1. Sally Young motioned to approve the Secretary’s Report and Bob Hamann seconded the motion. The motion was carried.
2. Allison Voss motioned to approve the Librarian’s Report and Statistics and Sally Young seconded the motion. The motion was carried.

Financial Report:

Approval of the Bills: Bob Hamann motion to approved the Approval of the Bills and Beth Mack seconded the motion.

Unfinished Business:

1. Without Joan at the meeting, we did not get much of an update at the meeting.
2. Decennial Meeting, talked to Merry Bassi and she is not good till October, and we need more people from the community.
3. Jays building is still waiting on inspection.

New Business:

1. Minimum Wage and Payroll: Bob Hamann motion to approve a 10% raise and Allison Voss seconded that motion. The motion was not carried out because there were some nays. Then Sally Young motion to approve an 8% raise and Beth Mack seconded the motion. The motion was carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:21pm.