Maroa Public Library District Regular Meeting Minutes

12/18/2023 Maroa Public Library Conference Room - 6:30pm

- 1. Call to Order: Meeting called to order by Tony Norton at 6:37pm.
- 2. Roll Call: Board trustees, Tony Norton, Audra Newton, Mason Ricketts, Cindy Manint, Jason Manint, and Lindsey Hanes, were present. Staff member, Sara Gentle, was also present. Trustee, Kim Wright, was absent.
- 3. Board President Remarks: Tony welcomed everyone and noted how nice the outside lights look.
- 4. Recognition of Visitors, Delegations, etc.: No visitors.
- 5. Public Comment Period: No public comment.

Consent Agenda

- 6. November 20, 2023 Meeting Minutes: Reviewed.
- 7. Director's Report & January 2024 Calendar: Sara gave a brief report that included
 - a. Fountain Cover: Audra's father, Lyle, was able to build a cover that fits perfectly. Thank you!
 - b. Food Pantry: Jim Miller, a local former cabinet maker, is willing to try to help create a second side for a partial book shelf. The completed shelving will allow the food pantry to more than double its contents.
 - c. In addition to improving the food pantry, Sara would like to add a café table for the portable computers in the library's seating area.
 - d. The staff plans to promote checkouts by building a community mosaic in January.
 - e. Erin Norton has been adding a lot of new programs to the schedule for January and February.
 - f. The staff wanted to express their gratitude for the Christmas bonuses.
 - g. The library made its first workman's compensation payment in a very long time. The employee has recovered but is still trying to get in to see a hand surgeon to verify that nothing needs correcting.
 - h. An employee was overpaid in November when their pay and hours were entered in incorrectly. The extra pay will be withheld from the next two pay periods.
- 8. Accountant & Treasurer's Reports for November 2023: Presented. Library is in good shape financially, heading into the second half of the year.
- 9. List of Paid Bills for November 2023: Presented.

Committee Reports: Nothing to report from committees.

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- 10. Personnel
- 11. Material Selection & Circulation
- 12. Building & Grounds
- 13. Finance Policy
- 14. Financial Development

New Business

- 15. By-Laws annual review: Reviewed.
- 16. FOIA Policy: Revised policy reviewed. Changes included trustee names and staff numbers.
- 17. Trustee Compensation: The question was asked if library trustees were ever paid. Per (75 ILCS 5/4-5) (from Ch. 81, par. 4-5) Sec. 4-5. Trustees shall serve without compensation but shall be reimbursed for their actual and necessary expenses incurred in the performance of their duties from library funds. (Source: P.A. 84-770.)

Old Business

Approvals

- 18. Approval, Consent Agenda: Audra Newton motioned to approve the consent agenda. Mason Ricketts seconded. All present, aye.
- 19. Approval, FOIA Policy: Cindy Manint motioned to approve the revised FOIA Policy. Jason Manint seconded. All present, aye.
- 20. Approval, Closed Session (requires roll call vote with applicable statutory citations): No motion made.
- 21. January 15, 2024, 6:30pm Meeting Agenda Suggestions
 - a. Patron Confidentiality
- 22. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 7:17pm by Tony Norton.

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