

MOLINE PUBLIC LIBRARY
Library Board of Directors
Thursday, 11 February 2016
Minutes

PRESENT: Wayne Smith, Sara Wynn, Scott Bull, Gary Koeller, Regina Nelson, Colleen Rafferty, Dee Runnels, JoAnn Waldron

ABSENT: Sue Blackall

STAFF: Bryon Lear, Sue Wheatley, Christina Conklin, Deborah Shippy, Kelly Giovanine, Lisa Williams, Jan LaRoche

GUESTS: Ald. David Parker, Mayor Raes, Anthony Watt – Dispatch/Argus

I. Business Meeting Called to Order

President Smith called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. in the Platinum Room of the Moline Public Library.

II. Roll Call, Sue Wheatley, Recorder

Roll call was taken with Bull, Rafferty, Koeller, Waldron, Nelson, Runnels, Wynn and Smith in attendance. Absent: Blackall

III. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved as presented.

IV. Approval of Minutes 14 January 2016 Regular Board Meeting

Nelson moved to approve the minutes from the 14 January 2016 regular Library Board meeting previously distributed by e-mail/mail to each Trustee. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes 9 December 2015 Building & Grounds Committee Meeting

Bull moved to approve the minutes from the 9 February 2016 Building & Grounds Committee meeting distributed by e-mail/mail to each Trustee. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

V. Communication from the Public

None.

VI. Correspondence

None.

VII. Director's Report (Lear)

- Lear reported staff completed 137 passports in January.
- Interviews were held for the open Children's position. An offer is pending.
- A Trustee workshop is available through RAILS on 16 April from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Lear will send out additional information when it is available.
- Giovanine requested the Board become a Bronze donor for the upcoming Booked for the Night Event. With a consensus of the Board each Board member will donate to bring the Board donation up to the Bronze level.

- The Library participated in the Be a Tourist in your Backyard using the “Bigger than Life Games” as the theme. The Library saw an increase in participation due to this year’s popular theme.

VIII. Financial Reports

The Trustees reviewed the list of library bills as of 31 December 2015. *The payment of the individual bills, totaling \$28,657.43 was approved and ratified upon the motion of Koeller. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.*

The Trustees reviewed the list of library bills as of 31 January 2016. *The payment of the individual bills, totaling \$16,958.23 was approved and ratified upon the motion of Koeller. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.*

IX. Committee Reports

A. Executive Committee (Smith, Wynn, Blackall)

No meeting.

B. Building and Grounds Committee (Bull, Koeller, Waldron)

No meeting.

C. Policy and Public Relations Committee (Wynn, Rafferty, Runnels)

No meeting.

D. Art Committee (Nelson, Rafferty, Runnels)

No meeting.

X. Unfinished Business

A. Library Lighting Update

Lear reported the issue with the “smoking light” after putting in the quoted sample bulb; it was determined to be incompatible ballast. Springfield Electric will supply a new sample bulb. If the new bulb is compatible a new RFP will be written. The Building & Grounds Committee will schedule a meeting in the near future.

B. Other

The Sunday hours issue has been resolved with the citizen who questioned the library hours.

XI. New Business

A. Library Closing – Booked for the Night – 15 September 2016 (motion to approve)

After discussion, *Rafferty moved to approve closing the Library on 15 September 2016 to prepare the Library for the Booked for the Library event. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.*

B. Funding Strategy – Technology Upgrade (motion to approve)

Lear informed the Board the technology upgrade shortfall after the approved grant funding receipts is \$32,000. After discussion, *Bull moved to approve the use of annual appeal funds (raised for technology) in the amount of \$32,000, currently held at the Moline Foundation, to complete the technology upgrade. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.*

C. Appointment of Library Director

*Runnels moved to appoint Bryon Lear as Library Director effective 12 February 2016.
The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.*

D. Other

Wynn thanked the Children's Department for a great job with the Be a Tourist program, Winter Reading Club and the Exploratorium on Wednesday afternoons.

XII. Public Comment

None

XIII. Executive Session

None

XIV. Adjournment

There being no further business brought before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Approved: _____

Pursuant to the Bylaws, these minutes were prepared by Sue Wheatley, Administrative Assistant, and have been reviewed and revised by Sara Wynn, Vice-President of the Moline Public Library Board of Directors.