

BEAVER ISLAND DISTRICT LIBRARY  
Board of Trustees  
26400 Donegal Bay Road  
Beaver Island, Michigan 49782

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Regular Meeting Minutes

Thursday, February 16, 2023, 5:00 p.m.

Present: Acacia Warmerdam, Monica Longlet, Stephanie Harrington, Erin Martin, Cynthia Pryor, Kim Mitchell, Rick Speck and Jacqueline LaFreniere

Absent: Denise McDonough and Becca Foli

1. Meeting was called to order at 5 p.m. by Vice Chair, Acacia Warmerdam

2. Public Comment: none

3. Review, modify if necessary, or approve Agenda: Motion to Approve the agenda was made by Pryor, seconded by Longlet. Passed

4. Approval of Minutes of Jan. 19, 2023 regular meeting: Motion to approve the minutes made by Harrington, seconded by Martin. Passed

5. Financial Report- Speck

Budget and forecast was presented

Bills submitted for payment January 2023 ~ Motion to approve the bills paid in January made by Mitchell, seconded by Pryor. Passed

6. Old Business

a. Committee reports:

1. Event-planning for Mural Unveiling- Longlet and Mitchell presented their plans for the event on Feb.22. LaFreniere reported the progress to the hanging of the mural (next Monday and Tuesday after hours)

b. Paid Leave and Minimum Age law- At the present time, the new law was not adopted by the state so we have no need to change our policy. LaFreniere reported that we need to make sure we are in compliance with the 2018 guidelines. Pryor offered to help.

7. Director's Report / Board Update

a. Patron Count-Circulation report for Jan.- numbers are up

b. Budget 2023-2024 budget hearing for next meeting: Discussion on the date for the March meeting since several will be off island during the month. It was decided to hold the March meeting on March 30 rather than March 16 as scheduled. This will comply with the need to hold the hearing and pass the budget prior to the end of the fiscal year, March 31. This will be considered a special meeting. LaFreniere will make sure the announcement is printed in the Petoskey News Review in a timely manner prior to the meeting.

c. Ballot Proposal for our millage set for May- what we can and cannot do regarding publicity. Speck reported that since we are the only millage/item on the ballot we would be required to pay the entire cost of the election. LaFreniere will check with County Clerk about cancelling the millage for May and changing to the August Ballot.

#### 8. New Business

a. Senior/ Student reading project- Longlet reported that she had discussed with COA Director Lonnie about the need for seniors to be read to and also with Amanda Bedell, elementary teacher, about participating. Longlet and Warmerdam will work on this project.

#### 9. Correspondence:

a. Jan Gerson's estate: email was received that the amount of the bequest is a little over \$121,000. Discussion on ideas on which to spend included a permanent book sale building (Jan's Book Sale) and what that might look like (Porches, chairs, etc.) Board and director will continue to record ideas before looking for designs or costs.

#### 10. Public Comment

~~Adjournment~~: Motion to adjourn made by Harrington, seconded by Pryor. Meeting adjourned 6:05 pm.

Next scheduled regular meeting moved to March 30, 2023 5:00 PM which will be considered a special meeting and include the Budget Hearing prior.