

Eager Free Public Library

Board of Trustees Meeting

Meeting Minutes from October 25, 2022

1. Call to order

Eloise Eager called the meeting to order at 5:30pm.

Trustees Present: Gwen Clendenning, Eloise Eager, Mandi Firgens, Susan Kruser, & Greg Lipes

Also Present: Megan Kloeckner, Library Director

Absent: Vicki Lecy-Luebke & Wally Shannon

2. Approval of the September Regular Meeting Minutes.

Lipes moved to approve the regular meeting minutes from 9/27/22. Clendenning seconded. Motion carried.

3. Public Comment

None

4. September bills (roll call vote)

Kruser moved to approve the bills as presented. Clendenning seconded. Discussion.

Roll Call: Ayes - Kruser, Clendenning, Lipes, Eager, Firgens. Motion carried.

5. Librarian's Report

Kloeckner provided the October report with circulation, technology, and programming statistics. Also provided was the detailed budget report compared to the City of Evansville.

Kloeckner presented a 2023 Budget Proposal to the City Council last month. They are increasing the budget, but requesting we use fund balance money for 2023.

Kruser moved to 'Use monies from the Fund Balance to balance the 2023 Proposed Library Budget.' Lipes seconded the motion. Discussion. Roll Call: Ayes - Kruser, Clendenning, Lipes, Eager, Firgens. Motion carried.

Summary from Friends of the Library Annual Meeting was provided. Any questions can be directed back to Kloeckner, and she will reach out to the Friends of the Library.

6. Treasurer's Report

Clendenning reported on our current monetary accounts. Looking into moving some monies around to ensure all of our accounts are FDIC protected. Clendenning, Eager and Lipes will set up a meeting with LPL Financial to discuss different options..

7. ALS Board Report

The merger (Prairie Lakes Library System - Rock, Walworth, & Racine Counties) will start January 1, 2023. Rock County will be represented with five members on the new Board. Eager will be stepping down at the end of 2022.

8. Old Business

Inclusive Services Statement

Lipes moved to use 'The Eager Free Public Library serves the community of Evansville, Wisconsin. Everyone who interacts with the library is welcome and encouraged to take advantage of the library's considerable offerings in terms of both materials and programs. As a community resource, the Eager Free Public Library seeks to ensure that everyone in Evansville has equal access to library resources.' as our new Inclusive Services Statement. Kruser Seconded. Discussion. Motion carried.

Fiscal Accountability & Investment of Gift Funds Policy

Changes were made with the original draft based on discussion with our bank. Changes were reviewed and discussed.

Looking for clarification in regards to FDIC insurance and specific agreements with the bank. These questions will be discussed with the bank when Lipes, Eager, and Clendenning meet with them in regards to our accounts.

Final copy of this policy will be presented at the November meeting.

9. New Business

None

10. Closed Session

Kruser moved to go into closed session as per Section 19.85 (1)c; Lipes seconded the motion. Roll Call: Ayes - Kruser, Clendenning, Lipes, Eager, & Firgens. Entered closed session at 6:20 p.m.

Firgens moved to leave closed session; Lipes seconded the motion. Roll Call: Ayes - Kruser, Clendenning, Lipes, Eager, & Firgens. Closed session ended at 6:37 p.m.

11. Adjourn Regular Meeting

Lipes moved to adjourn the meeting; Kruser seconded the motion. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

Next meeting: November 29, 2022

Minutes by: Mandi Firgens, Board Trustee

Note: Minutes of the Library Board of Trustees are not official until approved by the Library Board of Trustees at a meeting called and noticed for that purpose.