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Board of Trustees Meeting

October 25, 2023

Meeting Minutes

Voting Trustees present: Veronica Martin, Alex McCarty, Colleen Stamm, Rosanna Lindquist,

Kera Palm, Kristine Bonfitto, Allison Kalbach, Jennie Rodriguez Priest

Staff Present: Natasha Donaldson

Call to Order 7:01 PM

Consent Agenda

- Approval of minutes of September 27, 2023 meeting (with date adjustment in minutes for next meeting)
- MCL Librarian's Report

Motion to accept consent agenda-1st Kristine; 2nd Alex. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

- Income is higher than we budgeted and expenses are lower than budgeted. We are on track despite unexpected capital repairs that were needed.

Board Education – ALA Library Bill of Rights, Freedom to Read Statement, Freedom to View Statement; MCL Request for Reconsideration Form

New Business

Borough Meeting Updates-Rosie and Veronica to attend Mohnton Meeting on November 8th Policy Review:

- Collection Development-Motion to approve policy in current state-1st Jennie; 2nd Alex. Motion passed unanimously.

Board Response regarding Volunteer Incident in September

- Volunteer policy is under review for the future. Education has been provided to the volunteers advising them of this policy.
- Motion to approve the letter for volunteer: 1st Kristine, 2nd Kera. Motion passes unanimously.

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Ongoing Business

Bylaw Review Update

- System does not have the funds to review our bylaws. Governance has been working on revisions. Vote on the by-law revisions will happen in December. Changes include e-vote policy, modern rules of order instead of Robert's rules, 6 meetings annually instead of 9 meetings.

MCL Board Position/Committee Descriptions

-Governance is reviewing and updating this. If you are a committee chair or board role, please review the duties to ensure that they reflect actual responsibilities. Complete this review within the next 10 days.

Board/Committee Recruitment for 2024

-We still have an open board role that needs to be filled. We would like to have someone from Mohnton Borough, but we will accept members from any of our municipal communities. Allison will post the opportunity on Leadership Berks.

Committee Updates

- Governance-Addressing policies relevant to recent concerns. Annual review of policies is under way with focus on most substantive policies.
- Development-No updates. Changes to Community Days and request from Friends to hold Bingo during the car show event will be reviewed.
- o Financial
 - Discussion about investing our money in the best manner possible.
 Allison found a CD at a credit union with a very desirable return on investment. Discussions with credit union about details before decision is made and amount determined.
 - Do we have plans for capital expenses? What repairs might be needed?
- Next Meeting is December 6th, in person at the library. Cookie exchange or baked good exchange.

Motion to adjourn made by Alex, meeting adjourned at 8:01 pm.