

July 14, 2022 Valley Public Library Board of Trustees Minutes

Call to Order: Board President Kyle Held called the meeting to order at 6:34pm.

Pledge of Allegiance: The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Roll Call: Trustees answering roll call: Kyle Held, Teresa Mejstrik, James Musson, and Moria Winters. Theresa Samson was absent. Library Director Sami Stewart was in attendance. T. Mejstrik had to leave right after approval of the prior minutes.

Proof of Posting / Open Meetings Act Poster: The meeting was held in accordance with the Nebraska Open Meetings Law, with meeting notice posted in the post office, City Hall, and the library bulletin board. Continuously updated copies of the agenda were maintained on the library's bulletin board and the library's website.

Approval of Agenda: Motion to approve by J. Musson, second by M. Winters. Yeas: Musson, Mejstrik, Winters, and Held. Nays: None. Motion carried 4-0. There were no consent agenda items which required approval.

Recognition of Visitors/Correspondence: Mike Modricin, from Omaha Astronomical Society, was present.

Public Comment: K. Held called for public comment. M. Modricin spoke with the board about the Library Telescope Program. Omaha Astronomical Society (OAS) is starting a library telescope program and has asked Valley to be the first library to participate. OAS wrote a grant on behalf of the library, and if we're selected we'll receive a free telescope to circulate. Board members present agreed to discuss the purchase of a telescope if the grant is unsuccessful.

Approval of Prior Meeting's Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes as presented was made by M. Winters, second by J. Musson. Yeas: Mejstrik, Musson, Mejstrik, and Held. Nays: None. Motion carried 4-0.

REPORTS

Board President: No official report.

Library Director: S. Stewart handed out a written document of the Librarian's Report which she went over verbally and answered questions from the Board.

Friends of the Library: No official report.

Foundation: No official report.

Old Business

Strategic Planning Update: Sami has sent a survey out via Facebook, and will also send out via email and have print copies available at the library. The strategic planning committee will meet in August, and

present the strategic plan to the board in September. The plan is due to the Library Commission in October.

New Business

Policy Review/Adoption: S. Stewart presented suggested changes to library policy, and went over them verbally with the board. J. Musson made a motion to update the policy as recommended. M. Winters seconded. Yeas: Musson, Winters, and Held. Nays: None. Motion was carried 3-0.

Short Takes for Trustees was tabled, as the board has finished all needed continuing education for this fiscal year!

Comments and Announcements by Board Members:

None.

Meeting Adjournment was announced by K. Held at 7:38 p.m. Next meeting will be Thursday, September 8th at 6:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Sami Stewart, acting as Secretary