

Minutes of Regular Monthly Meeting Library Board

Town of Aurora Public Library

March 27, 2018

Present: Alice Askew, Kara Spencer-Ching, Carol Griffis, Richard Wiesen. Director Rob Alessi. Deborah Carr-Hoagland participated via telephone conferencing.

President Alice Askew called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m.

1. There were no members of the audience present.
2. A motion (CG, KSC) to approve the Minutes of the meeting of February 27, 2018 was carried by a voice vote.
3. A motion (RAW, CG) to approve the Treasurer's Report & Monthly Financial Statement, February 2018 was approved by a voice vote.
4. Director's Report, February 2018
The number of the public attending programs at the Library during the last month has been very strong. He toured the Aurora Waldorf School and discussions have begun for closer cooperation between the institutions.
5. Reports of Interest
 - a. Director Alessi and two trustees attended the Annual ACT Meeting, March 10, 2018 @ CEN. There was a brief discussion of topics.
 - b. The Fireplace installation has not yet begun. We are becoming more insistent that progress be made.
 - c. Legislative support for an increase in state funding for Library construction is seen as encouraging.
6. Old Business
 - a. A motion (RAW, CG) to confirm the Board approval of the revised Petty Cash Policy was approved by a voice vote.
 - b. Planning for a celebration of the Bicentennial of the Town of Aurora continues. The date, July 3, 2018, has been selected for celebrations around the village and in Hamlin Park. One or two events are likely to be sponsored by the Friends of the Library.
 - c. A comprehensive list of past trustees of the Town of Aurora Public Library is a challenge. The absence of such a list hinders any organized recognition of their service.
7. New Business
 - a. A Survey by the Library both on line and on paper in the library of the change in Open Hours and the option of Saturday Summer hours was discussed. Virtually all of respondents liked the additional hours the Library has been open in 2018 and would support continuing those hours to being open on Saturday during the summer. Few wished to diminish hours during

the week to offer Saturday hours during the summer. A discussion of Saturday summer hours followed. The topic will be on the agenda for the regular April meeting.

- b. Director Alessi presented the bidding for replacement of countertops on the Service Desks. There was a discussion of timing of installation and whether the library would have to be closed. A motion (CG, RAW) to approve the bid of \$3,190 for installation of the countertops by Shell Fab and Design, Inc. was approved by voice vote. Funding will likely be from local donations or the Friends of the Library.

- c. Nomination of Officers – the slate of officers was nominated (CG, DW) as follows: President – Alice Askew; Vice-President – Carol Griffis; Treasurer – Kara Spencer-Ching; Secretary – Richard (Dick) Wiesen; At-large – Deborah Carr-Hoagland

The next scheduled meetings of the Board are as follows:

- Monday, April 9, 2018, 12:30 p.m. Long-Range Plan 2019-2023 Meeting
- Tuesday, April 24, 2018, 12:30 p.m. Annual & Regular Monthly Meeting

A motion (DG, AA) to adjourn the meeting was carried by a voice vote. President Askew adjourned the meeting at 2:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted.

Richard A. Wiesen
Secretary