February 1, 2023
Eden Library Board of Trustees

Prior to the start of the Board meeting members voted to extend an invitation to Sue Wilhelm to join the Eden Library Board as a trustee. Linda will draft a letter to the Town Board requesting her appointment.

Library Board President Pat Smith called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. In attendance were Linda Meyer, Jon Wilcox, Town Board liaison Sue Wilhelm and Library Director Donna-Jo Webster. Trustee Bettyann Neifer was excused. This meeting was held in person.

The minutes of the January 11, 2023 meeting were read. A motion was made by Jim and seconded by Jon to accept the minutes. The motion was passed.

DIRECTOR’S REPORT
Donna-Jo reported on statistics for the month and noted that we did better than 11 locations in January.

BILLS:
The following bills were presented for payment:
  • Erie County Water .......... $57.61
A motion was made by Jim and seconded by Jon to approve payment of this bill. This motion was passed. Donna-Jo noted that the library has received a check for $149.28 from an organization called the Givinga Foundation. There is no explanation attached. She will ask other directors if they have heard of this group before we attempt to deposit the check.

CORRESPONDENCE:
There was no correspondence.

TREASURER’S REPORT:
There was no Treasurer’s Report.

OLD BUSINESS:
• Pat spoke with Ken Stone at the ACT meeting concerning our pending carpet replacement project and he felt that it would be eligible for funding through the 2021 Program Equipment and Facility Improvement Initiative (PEFII). Funds are still available through this and we would qualify for 75% of the total cost. (See attached copy of Ken Stone’s email.) To start this process our board needs to adopt a resolution stating that we would be responsible for any costs not covered by PEFII.

This resolution was read. Jon made a motion that the Eden Library Board would cover 25% of the cost of this project not to exceed $15,000. Jim seconded this motion and there were a total of 4 ayes cast. Bettyann had also emailed her agreement with this proposal. Copies of the resolution and the funding request are attached to these minutes. Donna-Jo
will forward the resolution and estimates to Ken Stone so that this project can be added as an agenda item to the Central Library Board’s meeting schedule.

• Pat gave a brief recap of the ACT meeting. Four trustees attended this meeting that was held at the West Seneca Library and all felt that it was beneficial. Library Director John Spears gave a presentation on Freedom of Information and how some local libraries are beginning to face challenges to items in their collections.

NEW BUSINESS:
• Workers from the Town were in the building recently to review lighting that might need to be replaced and made note of the crack that has been over the Charging Desk area for many years. They feel this needs to be corrected and will bring in the Town engineering firm to look at it and make a recommendation about correcting it. The Town would do the repair work but the Library might have to close for a few days while this work is done. We will know more once the engineers have looked at it.

• As part of the carpet project, the cove base will be replaced in various areas of the library. We will have to pick a color for that as well as colors for the carpet squares and vinyl flooring.

The next meeting will be held on March 8 at 5:15 p.m.
The meeting was adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Meyer, secretary