

October 9, 2023
Eden Library Board of Trustees

Library Board President Pat Smith called the meeting to order at 5:20 p.m. In attendance were Jim Agle, Linda Meyer, Bettyann Neifer, Jon Wilcox, Sue Wilhelm and Library Director Donna-Jo Webster.

The minutes of the September 13, 2023 meeting were read. It was noted that there was no mention of the Board's approval of Sue Wilhelm's appointment. A motion was made by Jon and seconded by Jim to accept the minutes with an amendment to note that the Eden Library Board approved of her appointment and welcomed her to the position. The motion was passed and the secretary will amend the minutes to reflect this addition to the September 13 minutes.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Donna-Jo reported on statistics for the month of September and noted that both door count and circulation were down as usually happens once school starts. Despite this our circulation for the month was better than that of 12 other locations.

BILLS:

The following bills were presented for payment:

- Eden/North Collins Pennysaver \$273
- Gui's\$13.17

A motion was made by Jim and seconded by Jon to approve payment of these bills. This motion was passed.

CORRESPONDENCE:

There was no correspondence.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

Bettyann reported on disbursements and current balances in all accounts.

OLD BUSINESS:

- The Town was expected to start the drainage project today but there was no activity. Pat and Alan dug some of the hostas and will over-winter them so that they can be replaced in the spring.
- The part that is needed for the lift still has not been replaced. Sue has been calling the company regularly to inquire as to the status.
- Jon will contact Hamburg Glass and ask them to come take a look at the window in the Meeting Room that is cloudy.
- Once we had larger sample carpet tiles, no one liked any of the colors. Jon will order some additional samples for us to take a look at.

- Most of the time slots for the book sale have been filled.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Pat reported that ACT will hold a meeting on November 18 at the Merriweather Library. Topics will include Friends Groups and John Spears, Library Director, speaking about banned books. Attendance at this meeting satisfies the requirements for trustee continuing education.
- Donna-Jo reported that she had received an e-mail from the BECPL stating that all contracting libraries are eligible to get an AED device. There were questions concerning who would be responsible for using this equipment and if training would be provided. Following additional discussion, Sue Wilhelm made a motion that the library pursue obtaining an AED from Central since they are available. The motion contained the caveat that the staff would not be held responsible for using it and that notification should be sent to the Eden Police and to the Rescue Squad that an AED was in the building. Jim seconded this motion. The motion was passed with 5 ayes; there was one abstention.
- Holiday hours for 2024 are in the planning stages. It was decided that we would be closed on Christmas Eve and open on New Year's Eve from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- The Eden Library received a resolution from the office of John Mills dated September 21, 2023 for participating in National Library Card Sign-up Month.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, November 13 at 5:15 p.m.
The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Linda Meyer, secretary