

IRONWOOD CARNEGIE LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

4:00 pm, Tuesday, 17 Jun 2025

- I. **Call to Order – 4:00** Lynne Wiercinski, Helen Slining, Amber Hurkmans, Kim Corcoran, Pam Johnson, Kathi Maciejewski. Absent - Wendy Hicks, Wyatt LaBo.
- II. **Approval of May Financial Reports** – Pam Johnson moved, Helen Slining seconded, all approved.
- III. **Approval of May Meeting Minutes** –Kathi Maciejewski moved, Pam Johnson seconded, all approved.
- IV. **Adjustments to the Agenda** – none
- V. **Unfinished/Continuing Business –**
 - a. **Programming** -
Summer Reading – The SRP kickoff was Tuesday. 90 registered and current number is 103. Most upcoming programs are filled up. There were 10 volunteers helping with the kickoff event.
 - b. **Grants/Fundraising** –
Patronicity Update – The FOL fundraiser is currently at \$47, 469 with other donations anticipated. We should reach goal and that will cover the capital costs; additional fundraising will most likely take place for furnishings, etc.
Mary Thompson Foundation – Lynne submitted request for \$30,000 for designing space to work with older adults. We received \$10,000 at this time, and we hope to be able to request more in the future. Lynne is sending a thank you and asking for suggestions about what to spend it on.
Meat fundraiser – Iron Horse will handle all details, with their costs covered and the rest being added to the Patronicity fund.
 - Building Project Update** –
 1. Approval of Ruotsala Construction invoice – The invoice payment is for \$175,926/ Kathi Maciejewski motioned, Helen Slining seconded, Roll call vote taken, all approved.
 2. Approval of Change Order : Water Fountain – Installation of a a “double” water fountain installed in addition is required per code; for a cost change of \$2, 070. Amber Hurkmans motioned, Pam Johnson seconded, Roll call taken, all approved.
 3. Shelving – Hurley Schools is offering to give us some oak shelving they no longer need. There are 2 areas that we can put some of it to use and we have storage for it until needed. Lynne will write a letter of thanks.
- VI. **New Business –**
 - a. **Budget Amendment** – \$312,000 of the money used from the Michigan Community Center Grant total grant to be transferred to this 2025-26 budget (anticipated what amount will be used this fiscal year and next.) Amber Hurkmans motioned, Pam Johnson seconded, Roll call vote taken, all approved.
 - b. **Approval of 7/1/25 Director/staff wage increase** – An increase of a wage increase as approved in the 25/26 budget of \$21/hr for Director and \$13/hr for all four staff members. Catherine Parisian, Mary Ann Andresen, Ken Wegmeyer, Kathy Kafczynski. Kathi Maciejewski motioned, Helen Slining seconded. Roll call vote taken, all approved.
- VIII. **Directors Report** – All is going well and busy, with the building project going well.
- IX. **Board Comments** – none
- X. **Public comment** – Lydia Christianson expressed appreciation that we are working on community space.
- XI. **Adjournment – 4:31** Pam Johnson motioned, Amber Hurkmans seconded, all approved.

*Shelly Hartness
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