

## Newaygo Area District Library

Regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees

Oct 19, 2021

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

President David Chambers called the meeting to order at 5:31 pm at the City Chamber Room, 28 State Road, Newaygo, Michigan 49337.

- **Roll Call: Present:** Samantha Kauffman, Jen Larsen, Julie Vitale, David Chambers.
- **Absent:** Cindy Blamer, Sharon Haega, vacant seat for the City.
- **Motion to approve the Agenda.** Motion to approve the agenda was made by Larsen with support by Kauffman. AIF/MC.

### 2. MINUTES

- Approval of minutes of the Regular Board Meeting and Public Budget Hearing of September 21, 2021. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Vitale and supported by Kauffman. AIF/MC.

### 3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

#### 4. TREASURER'S REPORT AND BILLS AND CASH DISBURSEMENTS

Director Tinkham reviewed the financial statements. The library was in the process of spending grant funds for their individual projects. Eight hotspots and laptops for educational purposes and circulation were in process; humanities programming was being planned. Borrowers of the laptops and hotspots must sign a statement verifying use was for educational purposes. Both devices will be filtered to comply with CIPA requirements. The library's endowment received a \$2,000 memorial donation at Fremont Area Community Foundation. Director Tinkham submitted the final report for the MCACA LowellArts Grant 2020-2021 and the funds have since been received. TIFA/LDFA revenues have been received. Motion to approve the financial reports was made by Vitale with support by Larsen. AIF/MC

#### 5. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- ✓ Staff Inservice was held October 11. Seven of eight attended. Theme of the day was teamwork and safety. Staff viewed a meeting hosted by Licensed Clinical Social Worker Tiffany Russell on the topic of De-escalation Techniques. NPD Chief Georgia Andres and two officers shared information in dealing with workplace confrontations. Staff discussed the library strategic plan and planned the direction of library programming.
- ✓ Director Vacation: October 29 – Nov 7. November 19 – 30. Assistant Director Mary Franklin will direct operations at those times.
- ✓ Library classes were going well. Beginning 10/21, the library would hold a five-week elementary art class hosted by Lori Eslick and funded in part by the MCACA. Today, Janelle Olney hosted a tween/teen pumpkin painting class.
- ✓ Wowbriary newsletter had 29 subscribers; Remind had 79 subscribers.
- ✓ "Reading is a Treat" will be held on Saturday, Oct 30. Kids were invited to come in their costumes to the library and pick a candy and book to keep.
- ✓ State Aid Report was submitted 10/13/21.
- ✓ Bookstore Hours: After discussion, the Board agreed to extend the hours to 5 p.m.
- ✓ "Censorship Divides Us" Book Display Challenged. Director Tinkham presented a letter submitted to the library on October 16 by Holly Schneider which challenged the library's

American Library Association display of top challenged books from 2020 and before. The display was active from September 26 through the next week. The Board reviewed the Materials Selection Policy and the library's display content. After discussion, it was decided that a response letter would be drafted.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

7. NEW BUSINESS

- Christmas Walk

The Library will participate in the Dec 3rd activity and close at 4 pm to set up for event. The NHS Art Department students will display in the local history room cat and dog original artwork for bidding in the annual Lake Haven Rescue auction. President Chambers directed Director Tinkham to invite Friends of the Library President Krystal Johnson to the November 16 Board meeting.

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS

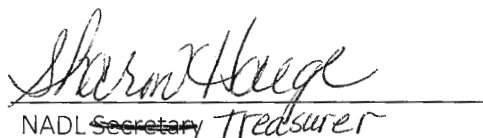
9. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

10. ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Vitale with support by Larsen. AIF/MC. The meeting was adjourned at 6:36 p.m. by President Chambers.



NADL President



NADL ~~Secretary~~ Treasurer