

Holdrege Area Public Library May 7, 2024 Board Meeting

The regularly scheduled board meeting of the Holdrege Area Public Library was called to order in the library conference room at 4:00pm. The meeting was conducted in compliance with the Nebraska Public/Open Meetings Act posted on the bulletin board in the conference room. Members present were Bill Yochum, Rosanna Meyer, Annette Sindt, Sue Christensen, Julie Johnson, Cassie Ehrenberg, John Sauder, Maureen Epping, and library director Mike Burris. Absent were Sandi Ericson and Jennifer Sand.

Minutes: The minutes from the April 2, 2024 board meeting printed in the agenda were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Bill Yochum and seconded by Cassie Ehrenberg. The minutes were approved with affirmative votes from Bill Yochum, Rosanna Meyer, Annette Sindt, Sue Christensen, Julie Johnson, Cassie Ehrenberg, John Sauder, and Maureen Epping.

Public forum: No one was present for public comment.

Financial report: The financial report, printed in the meeting agenda, was reviewed. It was moved by Sue Christensen and seconded by Rosanna Meyer to approve the financial report. The motion passed with affirmative votes from Bill Yochum, Rosanna Meyer, Annette Sindt, Sue Christensen, Julie Johnson, Cassie Ehrenberg, John Sauder, and Maureen Epping.

Approval of bills: The monthly bills, listed in the expenses and vendor detail and balance sheets, were reviewed and approved following a motion to approve made by Annette Sindt and seconded by Cassie Ehrenberg. The motion passed with affirmative votes from all members present: Bill Yochum, Rosanna Meyer, Annette Sindt, Sue Christensen, Julie Johnson, Cassie Ehrenberg, John Sauder, and Maureen Epping.

New business: Election of new officers took place. President-elect Cassie Ehrenberg, Vice-president elect Sue Christensen, and Secretary elect Maureen Epping. A motion to approve the new officers was made by Annette Sindt and seconded by Rosanna Meyer. The motion passed with affirmative votes from Bill Yochum, Rosanna Meyer, Annette Sindt, Sue Christensen, Julie Johnson, Cassie Ehrenberg, John Sauder, and Maureen Epping.

A motion was made by President John Sauder to go into executive session at 4:23 pm to discuss an employee request. Annette Sindt seconded it. Time out of executive session 4:38 pm.

A preliminary budget for the fiscal year 2024-25 was reviewed. The library director will present the final budget at the next meeting in June.

A potential new library site brought up by a patron was discussed.

Director's report:

1. The city has been replacing some of the ceiling tiles to help with the smell. Staff report that the smell is only found in the director's office.
2. The city maintenance crews are working on the roofing issues that the library is having.
3. Interviews for the open positions in the cataloguing position as well as the shelver position are being conducted right now.
4. The library is preparing for the Summer Reading Program.

Adjournment: A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by John Sauder and seconded by Sue Christensen. Meeting adjourned at 5:09pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Maureen Epping, secretary