

Holdrege Area Public Library
Minutes for June 4, 2024 Board Meeting

Call to Order: The regularly scheduled board meeting of the Holdrege Area Public Library was called to order in the library conference room at 4:00 pm by board president, John Sauder. 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 Annette Sindt, Julie Johnson, Rosanna Meyer, Bill Yochum, Sue Christensen, John Sauder, Sandi Ericson, Maureen Epping, Cassie Ehrenberg, and Jennifer Sand.

Minutes: The minutes from the May 7, 2024 meeting, printed in the meeting agenda, were reviewed and amended to correct the attendance record. A motion to approve the minutes as amended was made by Cassie Ehrenberg and seconded by Bill Yochum. The minutes were approved with affirmative votes from all members: Annette Sindt, Julie Johnson, Rosanna Meyer, Bill Yochum, Sue Christensen, John Sauder, Sandi Ericson, Maureen Epping, Cassie Ehrenberg, and Jennifer Sand.

Public Forum: No public comment was made by the public..

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

Approval of bills: The monthly bills as listed on the expenses by vendor summary page were reviewed. A motion to approve the bills was made by Rosanna Meyer and seconded by Cassie Ehrenberg. The motion passed with affirmative votes from all members: Annette Sindt, Julie Johnson, Rosanna Meyer, Bill Yochum, Sue Christensen, John Sauder, Sandi Ericson, Maureen Epping, Cassie Ehrenberg, and Jennifer Sand.

New business: President John Sauder called the board into executive session at 4:07 to discuss a personnel matter. The executive session ended at 4:54. Sue Christensen made a motion to increase the Circulation Supervisor's wage by \$3.00 per hour effective July 1, 2024 in compensation for additional duties, inclusive of cost of living increase for the next fiscal year. The motion was seconded by Rosanna Meyer. The motion passed with affirmative votes from all members: Annette Sindt, Julie Johnson, Rosanna Meyer, Bill Yochum, Sue Christensen, John Sauder, Sandi Ericson, Maureen Epping, Cassie Ehrenberg, and Jennifer Sand.

Bill Yochum made a motion to approve the proposed budget for the 2024-2025 fiscal year. It was seconded by Cassie Ehrenberg. The motion passed with affirmative votes from all members: Annette Sindt, Julie Johnson, Rosanna Meyer, Bill Yochum, Sue Christensen, John Sauder, Sandi Ericson, Maureen Epping, Cassie Ehrenberg, and Jennifer Sand.

A motion was made by Sandi Ericson and seconded by Jennifer Sand to approve a 3% of base rate cost of living adjustment raise for employees effective July 1, 2024. The motion passed with affirmative votes from all members: Annette Sindt, Julie Johnson, Rosanna Meyer, Bill Yochum, Sue Christensen, John Sauder, Sandi Ericson, Maureen Epping, Cassie Ehrenberg, and Jennifer Sand.

A motion was made by John Sauder and seconded by Annette Sindt to establish a three-member search committee for a new director consisting of board members Cassie Ehrenberg, Bill Yochum, and Sue Christensen who will begin the search process for a new library director. The motion passed with affirmative votes from all members: Annette Sindt, Julie Johnson, Rosanna Meyer, Bill Yochum, Sue Christensen, John Sauder, Sandi Ericson, Maureen Epping, Cassie Ehrenberg, and Jennifer Sand.

Director's Report:

1. A new source for DVD packets has been found.
2. A credit card for the library has been established.
3. The Summer Reading program is underway.
4. The Interim Director will need to be appointed, and will need to present the budget to the County Commissioners and to the Holdrege City Council.
5. Leaks in the Children's Area have been fixed, but some issues with drips and repairing ceiling tiles still need attention.
6. The PCCF will continue the Give2Grow campaign for 2024, but on a smaller scale.

Adjournment: Being no further business before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:28 following a motion by John Sauder and seconded by Sue Christensen

Next Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, July 2, 2024 at 4:00 pm in the library conference room.

Respectfully submitted by Sue Christensen
for secretary Maureen Epping,