

Ashland Public Library Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting
February 15, 2016⁷
Draft of Minutes

Notice is hereby given that the regular meeting of the Ashland Public Library Board of Trustees was held at the Ashland Public Library, 1324 Silver Street, Ashland, NE on Wednesday, February 15, 2016⁷ at 6:00 PM. This meeting was open to the public, and the public was encouraged to attend. An agenda for the meeting was available for public inspection at the library.

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 PM by Michelle Powell, Vice President.

Members present:

Chris Gossin, President
Michelle Powell, Vice President
Leslie Gerdes, Secretary
Heather St.Clair, Library Director
Nicole Chudomelka, Trustee

Members absent:

Tom Walsh, Trustee

The Open Meetings Act, posted on the west wall of the small meeting room, was acknowledged.

Public Comments: none

Agenda:

Leslie made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Nicole seconded the motion, all members voted in favor and the motion passed.

Minutes:

Nicole made a motion to accept the minutes from January. Michelle seconded the motion, all voted in favor and the motion carried.

Financial Report:

Nicole made a motion to approve the financial report, Leslie seconded the motion.

Librarian's Report:

Heather noted that she had completed the state and federal government annual reports. She presented the poster contest submissions for the upcoming ComicCon. Sarah completed her certification for the next 3 years. The city attorney will be getting the administrator computer passwords turned over this week.

Old Business

Overdue Policy—after evaluating an overhaul of the old policy, Chris moved to accept the new policy as amended. Nicole seconded the motion, all present voted in favor to pass the motion. Patrons will be notified of the changes and will probably find it more favorable than the old policy.

New Business

- a. ACRC Funds and managing organization—A discussion was held about options for transferring the ACRC funds from the Ashland Area Foundation. 1) A special account could be created under the City of Ashland, and while this may be favorable now, it may not be the best long term solution. 2) The Library Foundation was another possibility, although with dwindling members and infrequent meetings there were concerns about the Foundation meeting the requirements to maintain their 503C status. Nicole recommended that Heather try to recruit some new members and investigate their criteria for the Foundation. 3) We could create a new account controlled by the Library Board of Trustees. Michelle made a motion to move the remaining ACRC Funds to a special account under the designation of the Ashland Public Library board of Trustees. Nicole seconded the motion, and all present voted in favor, and the motion passed.
- b. Fundraising and Sales Policy for non-library groups—The board consented to having Heather investigate liability issues related to having food service groups on the property, and potentially draft a waiver for them to sign if needed.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:04 PM by Chris.

The next meeting date will be a regular meeting on March 15th at 6:00 PM, in the small meeting room of the ACRC.

Minutes submitted by Leslie Gerdes