

Marshall District Library
Board of Directors
Regular Meeting
September 12, 2017

The meeting was called to order by President George Guerin at 7:04pm. He also led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call was read by Secretary Martha Frohm.

Members present: George Guerin, Ben Lark, Theresa Chaney-Huggett, Shelley Preston, Mary Fountain and Martha Frohm.

Members absent: Kathie Maitland(excused).

Others present: Angela Semifero and Nate Palmer.

A motion was made by Martha Frohm to approve the Agenda. Supported by Shelley Preston. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Theresa Chaney-Huggett and supported by Ben Lark to approve the minutes of the August 8th meeting. The motion carried.

Mary Fountain was sworn in as a new Board member representing Marengo Township.

Financial Report: The Finance Committee met with Chairman Ben Lark at 6:30 this evening. Mr. Lark noted that the expenses were higher than normal due to three pay periods and an annual retiree pension. He made a motion to pay bills in the amount of \$122,112.72. All present voted yes.

Director Angela Semifero explained the points of her written report including roof progress and staff changes. Angela met with the Marshall High School principal and the Marshall Public School superintendent concerning providing Library services to the schools. The Library will not provide staff to the school system but may provide guidance.

Shelley Preston asked if there was an alternative to Angela being responsible for the Library's recycling along with her other duties. Angela does not mind doing the recycling. Other options may be available. Ms Preston noted that the Summer Reading Program statistics were interesting and asked if statistics for other programs could be available; for example, cost and participant ratios.

Committee Reports:

Building and Site: Did not meet.

Finance met at 6:30pm this evening and will meet before our October 10th Board meeting.

Personnel: Did not meet.

Policy met at 6:00pm this evening.

There was no unfinished business.

New Business:

Martha Frohm made a motion on behalf of the Policy Committee to include the phrase

"courteous cell phone use is allowed in the Library. If a phone call disturbs other Library visitors" Section A item 3. Also item 4 to include "except in designated areas or" and change shall to "may". And in item 11 include the wording "except medical devices". Lastly, in item 16 add "or guardians" after the word parents. The motion carried.

President Guerin announced that he would not be available for the November Board meeting and would need the services of Vice President Chaney-Huggett. The Vice President is happy to help.

Comments from Board Members:

All members welcomed Mary Fountain to the Board.

Mary told the Board she was born and raised here, retired from Rite-Aid Pharmacy, has three daughters and six grandchildren.

There were no comments from the public.

Adjournment at 7:27pm

Respectfully submitted,

Martha Frohm, secretary

Next meeting October 10, 2017