



The February 9, 2023, meeting of the Emporia Public Library Board of Directors was called to order at 4:35 p.m. by Caron Daugherty, Board Chair. Those present were board members Scott Capes, Heather Caswell, Caron Daugherty, Jesse Lobbs, Dawn Moews, Sarah Wyrick, and Steve Younger; Harvey Foyle, FOL Liaison; and Pauline Stacchini, Library Director. Emporia Mayor and EPL Board ex officio Danny Giefer arrived at 4:57.

The board approved the agenda. (MSP Capes/Caswell 7/0)

### **Public Comment**

None

Board Secretary Moews presented revisions for the January 12, 2023, minutes. The board approved the revisions. (MSP Moews/Wyrick 7/0)

The board approved the consent agenda with the revised January minutes. (MSP Wyrick/Lobbs 7/0)

On behalf of the Personnel Committee, Capes thanked everyone for submitting their evaluations of Executive Director Stacchini. The committee will schedule a meeting with Stacchini prior to the March board meeting and will review the evaluation results with the board at the March meeting.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Steve Younger presented the January 2023 treasurer's report. Younger noted that the auditor has been here to audit the 2022 books. The official report will be presented to the board in the next few weeks. The board approved the treasurer's report and payment of the January 2023 bills. (MSP Younger/Capes 7/0)

### **Unfinished Business**

The board approved changing the March 9<sup>th</sup> and April 13<sup>th</sup> board meeting times to 4:15 p.m. (Wyrick/Lobbs 6/0/1 Capes-Abstained)

### **New Business**

Stacchini reviewed the 2022 Annual Report.

Stacchini announced a new survey for all board members will be coming soon. The survey will ask what board members wished they had known before they became board members.

### **Friends of the Library Report**

Foyle shared that 23 people attended the Friends of the Library annual meeting in January. This is an increase in attendance over the past several years. The FOL Super Friend for 2022 is Sharon Stevens for her long involvement in the organization as an individual member as well as a board member. Harry Stevens was posthumously recognized as a Super Friend as well with special reference to his work supporting the library through the involvement of the ESU Sigma Tau Gamma fraternity to assist in preparing for the annual FOL book sales.

New FOL Board members and officers are noted in Foyle's minutes from the meeting: new board members are Vicky Brooks, Dee Schwinn, Becky Sellers, and Ron Sellers. Sandy Chapman has stepped down from chair of book sorters. New officers for 2023 are President – Marcia Lawrence, Vice President – Mary Beth Janssen, Treasurer – Jan Ralstin, Secretary – Dee Schwinn, EPL Liaison – Harvey Foyle, and Book Sorter Chair – Ruth Gutierrez.

### **Board Comment**

Daugherty reminded the board of the City Commission's All Boards Meet and Greet on February 27.

Lobbs commended Stacchini for the article in the *Emporia Gazette* last week.

Giefer announced he will be taking a leave of absence from his position as mayor. Susan Brinkman will be taking this position and the ex officio membership on the EPL Board. Board members expressed their appreciation to Giefer for his long-standing support of the library and their good wishes for him moving forward.

The meeting was adjourned by Board Chair Daugherty at 5:29 p.m.

**The next board meeting will be held on Thursday, March 9, 2023, at 4:15 p.m.**



(Board Chair)



(Board Secretary)