



The Thursday, January 12, 2023, meeting of the Emporia Public Library Board of Directors was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Caron Daugherty, Library Board Chair. Those present were board members Scott Capes, Heather Caswell, Caron Daugherty, Danny Giefer, Jesse Lobbs, Dawn Moews, Sarah Wyrick, and Steve Younger; Pauline Stacchini, Library Director; and Harvey Foyle, Friends of the Library Liaison.

Executive Director Stacchini requested the agenda be amended to include discussion of personnel in executive session following the presentation of her 2023 goals. The board approved the agenda as amended. (MSP Capes/Giefer 8/0)

Public Comment

None

The board approved the consent agenda. (MSP Younger/Capes 8/0)

Treasurer's Report

Steve Younger presented the December 2022 treasurer's report. The board approved the treasurer's report and payment of the December 2022 bills. (MSP Younger/Lobbs 8/0)

Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

New Business

Daugherty formally welcomed Emporia Mayor Danny Giefer to the board and Friends of the Library Liaison Harvey Foyle to their first meetings of their terms.

Board members updated their information on the board directory as necessary. During discussion of the directory, it was noted that the position of NCKLS representative is vacant. Stacchini explained that the Emporia Public Library is a contracting library in the NCKLS buying consortium and that the consortium also supplies trustee training and provides an E-rate consultant. In the past, the NCKLS representative has been a member of the Board of Trustees who attends one annual meeting. The date of the next NCKLS annual meeting will be announced later. Heather Caswell volunteered to fill the position if she will be able to attend the meeting.

Stacchini announced that Scott Capes' and Jesse Lobbs' terms both expire in April 2023. However, both Capes and Lobbs are currently filling terms which were originally filled by other individuals who had to resign their board positions. Both are eligible to reapply for their own first terms.

The board discussed the possibility of changing the board meeting times. Following the discussion, the question was tabled until the next meeting.

Stacchini pointed out her Executive Director goals which may be used as part of her job evaluation.

The board approved the updated Internet and Computer Use Policy. (MSP Moews/Capes 8/0)

The board approved the updated Lost and Found Policy. (MSP Wyrick/Caswell 8/0)

Friends of the Library Report Foyle reported the Friends of the Library had discussed whether there is a continuing need for the FOL Liaison position to the Board of Trustees. The consensus was yes, so the position will continue. He also noted that the Annual Meeting will be held on Monday, January 23, 2023. The Super Friend will be announced and anyone who would like to join the FOL will be welcome to do so at this time. The next book sale is scheduled for March 2023. There are no pop-up sales scheduled at the current time.

At 5:21 the board moved into Executive Session for discussion of personnel for a period of 10 minutes. Executive Director Stacchini was invited to join the board in the Executive Session. The regular meeting resumed at 5:31.

Board Comment Stacchini reminded board members of the “All Boards Evening Meeting” being held by the Emporia City Commissioners on Monday, February 27, 2023, from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. at Radius Brewing. This will replace the annual luncheon meeting held by the Commissioners with the individual boards. Giefer clarified that this is a come-and-go event. Board members are encouraged to RSVP as soon as possible.

The meeting was adjourned by Board Chair Daugherty at 5:35 p.m.

The next board meeting will be held on Thursday, February 9, 2023, at 4:30 p.m.


(Board Chair)


(Board Secretary)