

The Thursday, September 12, 2024, meeting of the Emporia Public Library Board of Directors was called to order at 4:15 p.m. by Scott Capes, Vice Chair. Present were board members Heather Caswell, Steve Younger, Scott Capes, Alex Mosakowski, Caron Daugherty, Sarah Wyrick; City Commissioner Becky Smith; Director Pauline Stacchini; Friends Liaison Harvey Foyle; Youth Services Librarian Megan Love.

The Board approved the agenda. (MSP Mosakowski/Caswell 6-0)

Public Comment: none

The Board approved the consent agenda. (MSP Wyrick/Mosakowski 6-0)

**Treasurer's Report**: Younger presented the financials for August. Stacchini reported that the library will use Friends' money for concrete for the book locker, and for purchase of a bed bug cooker. The budget for 2025 will need revision, as some expenses, such as health insurance, are going up more than expected. The budget committee has been advised. Treasurer's Report approved (MSP Younger/Daugherty 7-0).

**Unfinished Business:** Strategic Planning Update. Stacchini presented "Connect Here": a theme with proposed updates to the EPL Mission, Vision and Staff Pledge.

## **New Business:**

- a. Staff Presentation: Megan Love, Youth Services Librarian, introduced herself and talked about her duties. They include collections development; programming (story time, mad science, family events, teen events); outreach (preschool visits, library tours, teddy bear clinics, community partnerships). She regularly collaborates with Gloria Jurado, Youth Services Coordinator.
- b. Director's report: Stacchini reported the results of summer events for youth and for adults. The shelter for the book locker in Peter Pan Park is being built, and the book locker has been ordered.
- c. NCKLS Contract: Motion to accept contract: (MSP Smith/Daugherty 7-0).

**Friends Report:** Foyle reported on Match Day preparation, discussion of dues structure, unexpected death of board member Gene, First Fridays book sales success.

## **Board Comment-** none

The meeting was adjourned at 5:18.

Next Board meeting will be Thursday, October 10, 2024, at 4:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Sarah Wyrick, Secretary

Board Chair

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