



The December 9, 2021, meeting of the Emporia Public Library Board of Directors was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by Board Chair, Andrew Smith. Those present were board members Scott Capes, Melinda Chiroy, Dawn Moews, Andrew Smith, and Steve Younger; Robin Newell, Library Director, and Brenda Mawdsley, FOL Liaison.

The board approved the agenda. (MSP **Chiroy/Capes 5/0**)

### **Public Comment**

None

The board approved the consent agenda with removal of the minutes to be considered separately. (MSP **Capes/Chiroy 5/0**)

The board approved the revised minutes indicating Steve Younger is treasurer of the board and presented the financial reports in November and changed wording regarding full board emails and Kansas Open Meetings Act compliance. (MSP **Chiroy/Capes 5/0**)

### **Treasurer's Report**

Steve Younger presented the November, 2021, treasurer's report. The board approved the treasurer's report and payment of the November bills. (MSP **Younger/Capes 5/0**)

### **Unfinished Business**

The Strategic Plan remains in committee. The committee will meet to consider goals for the next three years.

The City of Emporia Maintenance Agreement remains in committee.

### **New Business**

The Standing Committee Charges document used for library board member training and as guidance to these committees was presented.

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

Brenda Mawdsley reported that the FOL received \$9252.71 from Match Day 2021. Both book sales held this fall were very successful. Currently the nominations committee is seeking a new vice president. This is necessary to continue involvement in Match Day—only organizations with a full slate of officers may apply. A committee is working to name this year's Super Friends. Gift cards will be provided to all library employees during the upcoming holidays. The FOL is very pleased with the building the city has made available to them at this time. It has made processing donated materials much easier for all involved. 1  
The Friends do cleaning and are providing their own cleaning supplies.

**Board Comment**

In response to a question regarding the sign status, Newell informed the board that the agreement has been signed by the city. The next step is completing requirements of the zoning commission.

Newell also announce Julie Mills has been hired as the new assistant director and will begin work on January 2, 2022.

The meeting was adjourned by Andrew Smith at 5:08 p.m.

**The next board meeting will be held on Thursday, January 13, 2022 at 4:30 p.m. in the EPL large meeting room.**

  
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(Board Chair)

  
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