

The September 8, 2021, meeting of the Emporia Public Library Board of Directors was called to order at 12:52 p.m. by Andrew Smith, Board Chair, following the annual dinner with members of the Emporia City Commission. Those present were board members Melinda Chiroy, Rob Gilligan, Dawn Moews, Andrew Smith, and Steve Younger; Robin Newell, Library Director, and Mckenzie Gulick, Assistant Director.

The board approved the agenda. (MSP Gilligan/Younger 5/0)

Public Comment

None

Newell requested that the board consider the director's report under new business instead of part of the consent agenda. The board approved the consent agenda with the deletion of the Director's report to be considered under new business. (MSP Younger/Gilligan 5/0)

Treasurer's Report

Steve Younger presented the August, 2021, financial reports. The board approved the financial reports and payment of the August, 2021, bills. (MSP Younger/Chiroy 5/0)

Unfinished Business

The Strategic Plan remains in committee. The library is currently seeking consultants from out of the city to provide assistance.

New Business

The board approved a motion from the finance committee allowing the library director to make the following inquiries regarding three checking accounts at Lyon County State Bank: Review account history, Balance inquiries, Signers on the account. (MSP Finance Committee 5/0)

Board approved changes to Circulation Policy to allow the number of ILL items allowed to change from five to twenty and to change the checkout period for Technology Enhanced Materials from two weeks to one week. (MSP Gilligan/Chiroy 5/0)

The Director's Report was presented including status of the library sign project, the mold in the library basement, and landscaping for the library with maintenance approved by the city. Gilligan was able to present some information about the maintenance policies and processes. No action was taken.

Friends of the Library Report

Dawn Moews reported that the Friends are excited to be "back in business" with face-to-face meetings and the upcoming book sales and Match Day.

Board Comment

None

The meeting was adjourned by Andrew Smith at 1:29 p.m.

The next board meeting will be held on Thursday, October 14, 2021, at 4:30 p.m.

(Board Chair)

(Board Secretary)