

**Library Board Minutes
GREENDALE PUBLIC LIBRARY
Wednesday, January 18, 2023**

President Dombrowski called the Regular meeting of the Greendale Public Library Board of Trustees to order at 5:30 PM.

Trustees Present: D'Amato, Dombrowski, Hughes (arrived 5:45), Jensen, Kobleska, Unger
Excused: Amidzich
Also Present: Van Klooster- Library Director

PUBLIC COMMENTS (1)

NONE

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Trustee Kobleska moved, Trustee Dombrowski seconded approval of the December 21, 2022 minutes.

Ayes: D'Amato, Dombrowski, Kobleska, Unger Noes: None Abstentions: Jensen Motion : Carried

APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORTS

Check Register: December 2023

Trustee D'Amato moved, Trustee Jensen seconded approval of the December 2022 expenditures in the total amount of \$9,984.10

Ayes: All Noes: None Abstentions: None Motion : Carried

REVIEW OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

- a) Revenues and Expenditures to Actual Comparison: December 2022
- b) Balance Sheet: December 2022

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NONE

NEW BUSINESS

- a) Motion to approve revised CLC Community Meeting Room Policy

Trustee Dombrowski moved, Trustee Kobleska seconded approval of the revised CLC Community Meeting Room Policy. Unger said she prefers to see alpha/numeric formatting for policies, D'Amato concurred. Unger asked for clarification of the need for a 90-day limitation, asked about Friends as specified priority users, and consistency in terminology for 'meeting room'.

Ayes: All Noes: None Abstentions: None Motion : Carried

- b) Discuss community library survey

Van Klooster reviewed the original prompt for this conversation, noting request for stakeholder feedback on budget efficiencies and information about materials. Dombrowski said the question important to her is finding out what people want out of their library. Hughes mentioned offline conversation with Van Klooster about timing of survey with previous Village survey and possible School District community feedback efforts, and prioritization of fundraising discussion with survey. Brian reflected that the Action Plan request does not necessarily require a survey for stakeholder feedback. Jensen said this conversation is related to her independent work with architects for a possible library building study, noting fundraising could be needed to cover the study cost. Hughes emphasized his desire for 'big tent' and 'do no harm' as driving principles in any efforts. D'Amato said she liked the open-ended feedback opportunities found in the Village's survey.

Dombrowski requested member feedback on questions they would like to see in a survey, due to Van Klooster by 2/1. She stated willingness to work with Van Klooster and any others in a small group to develop the survey.

- c) Discuss Collection and service analysis for DEI

Van Klooster noted the inclusion of slides describing the analysis, which was shared with staff at all-staff training day.

INFORMATIONAL AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

- a) Library Director and Staff Reports: Van Klooster highlighted next Village event is Pet Palooza on May 13, reported plans for a candidate forum on March 30, and circulation staff responses to continuing education training. Unger expressed opposition to reported purchase of Switch games and noted that Greendale seems to have more games than any other MCFLS library, Dombrowski agreed but said nonbook media like videos were also controversial when first introduced as a library service but are now commonplace. Hughes asked if games are made available to meet need of those without means to own their own, and if games advance users into higher skills.
- b) President's Report: Dombrowski said a new Friends Liaison is needed as Unger must step down due to another conflicting Village committee meeting, Friends meetings have been consistently scheduled on 2nd Tuesday evenings.
- c) Friends/Foundation Report: Van Klooster said meeting was held January 10, membership revenue is above same time 2021, special handwritten acknowledgements are sent to donors \$500 and above, they will continue the member drive with a display until tax forms go out. Recap of Dickens, reviewed plans for February 4 Saturday program.

CORRESPONDENCE

NONE

PUBLIC COMMENTS (2)

NONE

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:50PM.