**FLORA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MEETING**

**MONDAY, APRIL 8 , 2024**

**CALL TO ORDER:** President Maralee Johnson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, April 8, 2024.

**PRESENT:** Jon Akers, Joe Gilliland, Maralee Johnson, Rebecca Stocke, Kari Warren and Director Angela Garrett, as well as Assistant Director, Tina McCormack. Absent: Karen Briscoe, Robbin Dickey, Doug Mack, and Joe McCoy

**RECOGNITION OF VISITORS:** None

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** A motion was made by Joe Gilliland to accept the minutes as presented. The motion was seconded by Kari Warren. The motion passed unanimously.

**TREASURER’S REPORT:**

 **-Review of financial reports and bank statements.**

A motion to accept the treasurer’s report, as presented, was made by Joe Gilliland and seconded by Becky Stocke. The motion passed unanimously.

**LIBRARY DIRECTOR’S REPORT:** The budget that was voted on last month was taken to the city.

The Flora Police Department has informed us that they cannot help in retrieving laptops and hot spots that patrons do not return. The police department recommended that we take this up with the court system as a civil action.

Matt Pyatt will be at next month’s meeting.

The Flora Police Department was called on Saturday to assist with a patron that had become unruly. The situation was diffused and there were no further incidents.

The Friends of the Flora Public Library will hold a book sale on April 22nd.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:** None

**PAYMENT OF BILLS:** A motion was made by Becky Stocke, and seconded by Jon Akers, to approve payment of the bills. The motion passed unanimously.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** The board reviewed proposed wage increases for the library staff. It was determined that the Director and Assistant Director will receive a 3% increase from their current salary. Part-time staff will be moved to an hourly rate of $15 per hour, apart from one who has been employed by the library for 14 years. Her rate will be increased to $15.50 per hour. A motion was made by Becky Stocke to accept the pay increases as presented by the board; Jon Akers seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

 **NEW BUSINESS:**

The second reading of the new Bed Bug Policy was introduced, reviewed, and discussed.

The third and final reading of the updated Volunteer Policy was reviewed and discussed. A motion was made by Kari Warren to approve the policy after the appropriate spelling corrections were made. The motion was seconded by Becky Stocke. The motion passed unanimously.

The reappointment of Karen Briscoe, Jon Akers and Becky Stocke to the Board of Trustees was discussed. Joe Gilliland made the motion to approve the reappointment of these individuals to serve another 3-year term on the board. Kari Warren seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Schedule of Board Meetings was reviewed. Joe Gilliland made a motion to approve the meeting schedule as presented, seconded by Jon Akers. The motion passed unanimously.

Becky Stocke made the motion to keep the officers of the board the same for the coming year. Joe Gilliland seconded the motion, and the motion was passed unanimously.

The Inter-governmental Agreements with three local schools were reviewed. No changes were proposed. A motion was made by Kari Warren to keep the agreements as presented and seconded by Becky Stocke. The motion passed unanimously.

Other new business: None

**EXECUTIVE SESSION (when needed):** None

**UPCOMING MEETINGS /EVENTS:** Book sale on April 22nd

**OPEN:** None

**ADJOURNMENT:** The meeting concluded at 7:56 p.m.

Submitted by: Kari Warren 04-09-24.