



Bethel Public Library

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Meeting Minutes
BPL Board of Directors
Hybrid Meeting
Monday 2/28/2022 at 6:00 pm

PRESENT: Chair Mary O'Leary, Tia Murphy, Judith Schlemmer, Robin Kahn, Vice Chair Connie Kaufman, Linda Curtis, Robin Grubard, Terri Rotella, Chris Sell, Sue Morton, Rebecca Hussey, John Schmuecker, President of Friends Jan Patzold and Library Director Megan Dean.

Absent with notice: Chris Sell and Terri Rotella

Call to order: Chair Mary O'Leary called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

PUBLIC INPUT: None

CORRESPONDENCE: None

APPROVAL OF 1/24/ 2021 MEETING MINUTES: Chair Mary O'Leary asked if the members had read the minutes, and if there were any questions. Chair Mary O'Leary asked for a motion to approve 1/24 /2022 meeting minutes. Linda Curtis made a motion to accept the minutes Connie Kaufman 2nd. All in favor. Motion passed. John Schmuecker and Rebecca Hussey abstained.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Tia Murphy asked if there were any questions on the reports. Tia Murphy explained a few accounts including the teen grant. John Schmuecker Made a motion to accept the February reports. Vice Chair Connie Kaufman 2nd. All in favor. Motion passed.

FRIENDS OF THE BETHEL PUBLIC LIBRARY: President of Friends Jan Patzold reported that they have joined the Chamber of Commerce and now have a treasurer and two new at large members

CHAIR UPDATE: Chair Mary O'Leary updated the committee assignments for the next year. The budget process is continuing through the process with the town. Public hearing on the budget will be on March 21 at the Middle School.

DIRECTOR UPDATE: Library Director Megan Dean asked the members if they read the reports and if they had any questions. She briefly reviewed the documents. She said AARP has a full schedule for tax help. The interviews for the two vacant library assistants are done for the library assistants and the lockers and RFID programs are progressing. The teen programming grant is redeveloping the teen area, including programming and project lab ideas designed for teens. Motion was made as of Monday March 7 that staff are no longer required to wear a mask but are encouraged to wear one if they so desire by Connie Kaufman and seconded by Robin Grubard.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Development Committee: Chair Robin Grubard mentioned that all holes have been sold. Ticket packets were handed out. Sell tickets and Board members will be here at 5:30pm - 10 pm. Hole decoration will begin at 3pm on Friday.

ADJOURNMENT: Chair Mary O'Leary asked for a motion to adjourn. Robin Grubard moved to adjourn Tia Murphy 2nd. All in favor, motion passed. Chair Mary O'Leary adjourned the meeting at 7:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan Morton
BPL Board Secretary