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Meeting Minutes
BPL Board of Directors
Hybrid Meeting
Monday 5/23/2022 at 6:00 pm

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

Absent with notice: Rebecca Hussey, Terri Rotella

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

PUBLIC INPUT: None

CORRESPONDENCE: None

APPROVAL OF 4/25/ 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 4/25/2022 meeting minutes. Vice Chair Connie Kaufman made a motion to accept the minutes, Linda Curtis 2nd. John Schmuecker abstained. All in favor. Motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Treasurer Tia Murphy asked if there were any questions on the reports. Tia Murphy explained some accounts. John Schmuecker made a motion to accept the Reports. Connie Kaufman 2nd. All in favor. Motion passed.

FRIENDS OF THE BETHEL PUBLIC LIBRARY: President of Friends Jan Patzold stated the remaining grant amount has been received and a new AT&T grant has been accepted. The Thousand Books before Kindergarten program is starting soon.

CHAIR UPDATE: Chair Mary O'Leary tabled till later in agenda.

DIRECTOR UPDATE: Library Director Megan Dean asked the members if they read the reports and if they had any questions. She reviewed the documents and further explained topics.

Finance Committee Chair Tia Murphy made a motion for an Executive Session at 6:51pm. Megan Dean was invited into the Executive Session. Robin Grubard 2nd. All in favor Motion passed. Chair Mary O'Leary asked for a motion to come out of Executive session. John Schmuecker made the motion. Chris Sell 2nd 7:17pm. All in favor. Motion passed.

Finance Committee Report: Chair Tia Murphy asked for a motion to for a recommendation to the board for a 3% increase for nonunion salaries. Robin Grubard made a motion for a 3% increase for nonunion salaries. John Schmuecker 2nd. All in favor. Motion passed.

CHAIR UPDATE: Chair Mary O’Leary asked for a motion to increase the Director’s vacation time to 4 paid weeks. Robin Kahn made the motion to increase the Director’s vacation time to 4 paid weeks effective July 1 2022. John Schmuecker 2nd. All in favor. Motion passed.

ADJOURNMENT: Chair Mary O’Leary asked for a motion to adjourn. Connie Kaufman made the motion. Tia Murphy 2nd. All in favor. Motion passed. Chair Mary O’Leary adjourned the meeting at 7:20 pm..

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Morton
BPL Board Secretary