

Ida Public Library

Board of Trustees Meeting

Tuesday, March 24, 2015

Sullivan Meeting Room

The Ida Public Library Board of Trustees met in the Sullivan meeting room on Tuesday, March 24, 2015. The meeting was called to order by Vice- President Paul Grover at 7 pm. Trustees present were: Paul Arco, Paul Grover, Sue Holmes, Jan Knutson, and Lisa Volkman. Vickie Cantrell, Annette Gustafson, and Josie Riley were excused. Also present were Library Director Debbie Bloom, Assistant Director Heaether Ventucci-Johnson and community member Kim Hohf, who will be recommended to the Mayor to appoint her to the Ida Public Library Board of Trustees.

Secretary's Report: Motion was made by Lisa Volkman and seconded by Jan Knutson to approve the minutes. Motion carried.

**Correspondence:** None.

**Treasurer's Report:** Paul Arco moved and Sue Holmes seconded the motion to approve the Treasurer's Report. Motion carried.

**Committee Reports**

- **Building and Grounds:**
  - 111 W. Hurlbut-still empty- there has been no interest expressed.
  - 117 W. Hurlbut-We have received the first court ordered payment of \$150 on the rent arrearage. The second payment is also late.
  - The N. State St. entrance stairway needs concrete work. Debbie is looking for a contractor to do the work.
- **Personnel:** Personnel issue to be discussed during closed session.
- **Finance:** Lisa Volkman attended the Annual Meeting of the Sullivan Trust. The trust is very healthy.
- **Policy:** No report.
- **Technology:** No report.
- **Friends of the Library:** Library Director Debbie Bloom reported that the Friends are prepping for their upcoming FDR program and the next book sale. They are also planning the annual Staff Appreciation Luncheon on Thursday, May 14.
- **Nominating:** Sue Holmes introduced Kim Hohf who will be recommended to be appointed to the Board by Mayor Chamberlain.

**RAILS Report:** No report.

**New Business:** None.

**Librarian's Report:**

- Library Director Debbie Bloom reported that Jillian Fuller will finish her MLS in May. As a result, she will be used as a Reference Librarian more and will staff Local History a little less.
- Heaether has finished the Spring Program Guide. It looks great!
- Plans for the Summer Reading Program are moving forward.
- Debbie Bloom reported that she attended the Gang Awareness Event at the Community Building and the RVC Community information session as well.
- Assistant Director Heaether Johnson will be on vacation until April 9.
- Paul Arco moved and Lisa Volkman seconded the motion to approve the Librarian's Report. Motion carried.

At 7:30 pm, Sue Holmes moved and Jan Knutson seconded the motion to adjourn to Closed Session. Motion carried.

Executive Session to discuss appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of a specific employee pursuant to Section 2 (c)(1) of the Open Meetings Act.

Returned to open session at 7:38. Jan Knutson moved and Lisa Volkman seconded the motion to increase Angela Bennett's pay to \$35,500 as she is promoted to Youth Services Manager. Motion carried.

Paul Arco moved and Sue Holmes seconded the motion to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned 7:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Susan W. Holmes

Secretary

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Youth Services Manager – Angela Bennett – current employee MLS from Dominican – has been serving as Youth Library clerk – has reinstated the Teen program singlehandedly – Debbie would like to increase Angela’s pay to \$35,500. Will need to hire two part-time clerks when she takes over as Manager.  
Sue moved Lisa Volkman seconded – motion carried.  
Adjourn executive session: Lisa Volkman moved Jan Knutson seconded 7:38.

Open Session reopened at 7:38 - Jan Knutson moved Lisa Volkman seconded motion