## Missouri River Regional Library Board Meeting 213 Adams Street, Grimshaw Room April 19, 2022 MINUTES OF THE MEETING

The regular Board of Trustees meeting was called to order at 6:03 p.m. by Stacy Fick, President.

## 1. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

Members present: President Stacy Fick, Treasurer John Gulick, Secretary Anne Rottmann, and members: Peggy Mulvania, Steve Nelson, Bob Priddy and Anita Randolph.

Members absent: Kaye Bertels, Ithaca Bryant, Jeff Briggs, Kay Kasiske, Sharon Lehmen, and Lisa Klebba.

# 2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

## 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Bob Priddy made a motion, seconded by John Gulick, to approve the minutes from the March 15, 2022 meeting. Motion passed.

# 4. TREASURER'S REPORT AND APPROVAL OF MONTHLY EXPENDITURES (ATTACHMENT A & B)

Betty Hagenhoff reviewed the Treasurer's Report, Attachments A & B with the Board. John Gulick made a motion, seconded by Anita Randolph, to approve the Treasurer's Report and Monthly Expenditures. Motion passed.

## 5. LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT-CLAUDIA YOUNG (ATTACHMENT C)

Claudia Young reviewed her report with the Board. March was an action packed month for the Missouri River Regional Library (MRRL). The MRRL/ABLE book sale was a huge success. Angle Bayne, the recently announced Assistant Director of Public Services, will assume coordination of the book sale in 2023.

Claudia reported that Jessica Wieberg, Madeline Matson and she attended the 2022 Public Library Conference in Portland, Oregon. The attended sessions were very relevant to work being done by library staff.

Claudia has submitted the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) grant application to the Cole County Commission, and is cautiously optimistic that the grant application will be funded.

Claudia also brought forward to the Board, for its awareness, the issue of homelessness and the number of patron complaints regarding homeless individuals who utilize the MRRL facilities. All agreed it is a balancing act between being compassionate for those less fortunate and holding individuals accountable for their actions in relation to the MRRL's Patron Code of Conduct. Much discussion ensued. A small group of Board members (a subcommittee) will meet to discuss possible steps that may help alleviate concerns by the public.

# 6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Capital Facilities Committee (Anita Randolph)
  Anita reported that the committee is scheduled to meet on Wednesday,
  April 27 at 4:00 p.m., in the Truman Room on the second floor of the MRRL.
- B. Executive Committee (Stacy Fick) No Report
- C. Finance/Fund Raising Committee (John Gulick) No Report
- D. Foundation Liaison (Kaye Bertels)
  Director Claudia Young reported that Foundation members had met recently. Over \$6,000 was raised through the mini-golf events, and Lesley Bickel was chosen as the Library Ambassador of the Year.
- E. Marketing/Communications Committee (Jeff Briggs) Natalie Newville reported on the continuing outreach efforts by Director Claudia Young and herself through presentations to local civic groups, organizations and businesses in order to raise awareness of the MRRL's services and programming. Specifically, outreach efforts to the Wardsville and Taos communities were discussed.
- F. Planning Committee (Ithaca Bryant) No Report
- G. Bylaws Committee (Stacy Fick) No Report

# 7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Capital Campaign Update

The Capital Campaign committee met on March 18. Unfortunately, the first requested meeting with the select business, Hitachi, did not materialize as the business declined to meet as they believed the campaign did not align with their mission. However, Claudia and Natalie will re-group and move forward. A visit with the Columbia Boys' & Girls' Club Director, Abigail Anderson, is planned in May. Abigail has some experience fundraising in this area and is willing to share some valuable information about approaching Veterans United.

#### 8. NEW BUSINESS

Betty Hagenhoff reported on the updated Accounting Manual for the MRRL. John Gulick made a motion, seconded by Anne Rottman, to accept the manual. Motion passed.

#### 9. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- A. The MRRL Board of Trustees will continue to meet in the Grimshaw Room of the Jefferson City (JC) Chamber Building for its regular business meetings for the rest of 2022. It was noted that the MRRL has a strong relationship with the JC Chamber.
- B. It was announced that Betty Hagenhoff's retirement celebration is scheduled for May 25, 2022, from 3:00 - 5:00 p.m., in the Art Gallery Room of the MRRL. Invitations will be sent to each Board member.

## 9. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Minutes approved 5.17.22