

**MISSOURI RIVER REGIONAL LIBRARY
BOARD MEETING
Osage County Library, Linn, Missouri
July 21, 2015
MINUTES OF THE MEETING**

The regular Board of Trustees meeting was called to order at 7:22 pm by Abbey Rimel, President. Judy Speidel, Administrative Assistant, was present to take the minutes.

1. ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

Members present: Abbey Rimel, President; Jane Dolan, Secretary; Jenny Jacobs, Treasurer; Marge Kudrna, Member; Vicki Ford, Member; Debbie Rowles, Member; Stu Murphy, Member; Adam Veile, Member; Katrinka Goldberg, Member; and Kay Kasiske, Member. Also present were: Claudia Schoonover, Library Director; Betty Hagenhoff, Assistant Director; Elizabeth Beach, Human Resource Director; Noelle Parker, Osage County Library Branch Manager; Barb Baker, Vocal Representative of the Osage County Friends of the Library; and Brittany Ruess, News Tribune Reporter.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Changes to the June minutes were as follows: add “in recent years” to the last sentence in the first paragraph under Item 5; delete the “I” in front of the heading in Item 6; change “purchase” to “investigate” in the second line of second paragraph under Item 8 A; and change “Vikki” to “Vicki” under Item D and Item 10 B.

Stu Murphy made a motion to approve the June 16, 2015 minutes, as amended. Adam Veile seconded. The motion passed.

4. TREASURER’S REPORT AND APPROVAL OF MONTHLY EXPENDITURES

Jenny Jacobs reviewed the Treasurer’s Report with the Board.

Marge Kudrna moved that the Treasurer’s Report and the Monthly Expenditures be accepted as submitted and filed for audit. Jane Dolan seconded. The motion passed.

6. LIBRARY DIRECTOR’S REPORT – CLAUDIA SCHOONOVER

Claudia summarized the items contained in her report. Items of interest include:

- Claudia reported the new MRRL website design is up and running. She indicated Jason Shelvy, IT Manager, will come to the August Board meeting to give an overview of the website. Claudia mentioned discussions were held to include the Osage County Friends Group on the Osage County Library website.

- Claudia reported she has been busy hosting Coffee talks with the library director which has been very successful. She indicated she will be planning some in the Osage County area within the near future.
- Claudia reported the library has done some rearranging of furniture in the main lobby as well as all new signs are up.
- Claudia presented the board with information from Barbara Reading regarding the FY16 Real budget reduction.
- Claudia provided the board with patron comments for the month of June indicating the library was working on correcting some of the bathroom issues.

7. COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Capital Facilities Committee

No Report.

B. Executive Committee

No Report.

C. Finance Committee

No Report.

D. Foundation

Claudia Schoonover reported the Foundation did meet on July 9. The foundation continued their conversation on ways to honor donors. She also indicated Mark Wegman is planning a Readers Theatre event at the library featuring a story that takes place in a library. He will attend the August Foundation meeting to give more details.

Anita Randolph, foundation member, recommended a friend of hers to work on a strategic plan for the foundation and, in addition, this person would possibly be joining the foundation as a member.

E. Planning Committee

Claudia advised the Committee should meet in the fall to discuss a new strategic plan. Stu Murphy reported the process should be revisited and be more specific in laying out the library's mission.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Review Election of Officers: Vice President and Treasurer

At the last meeting, Jenny Jacobs was elected Treasurer. Since she had previously been elected to serve as Vice President, she was asked to choose the office she would like to serve. She chose the position of Treasurer. Abbey Rimel nominated Vicki Ford and she accepted the nomination for Vice President.

A motion was made by Stu Murphy to accept the nomination of Vicki Ford for Vice President and that all nominations cease. Jane Dolan seconded the motion. The motion passed.

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. Potential Purchase of Osage County Property

Upon recommendation from the Capital Facilities Committee and by vote on June 16 by MRRL Board Members, Abbey advised Claudia Schoonover, Betty Hagenhoff, and the Osage County Library Board members to contact John Klebba at Legends Bank to negotiate the sale of the property at 1014 E. Main Street, Linn, Missouri as well as two vacant lots near the property. In addition, it was recommended to request a possible donation from the bank to be used toward the renovation of the building.

11. ANNOUNCEMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT

Abbey Rimel adjourned the meeting at 8:02. Minutes of the meeting were submitted by Judy Speidel.

APPROVED 8-18-2015