

March 20, 2025

# EAST ALTON PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

## CALL TO ORDER

Margaret Funke called the regular meeting of the East Alton Public Library District Board of Trustees to order at 5:45 PM. Those in attendance were J. Richie, J. Bricker, J. Buttry, and L. Timmins. Also present was Christina Eyster, Circulation Manager; Jeremy Staicoff, Director (via phone). 5 present, 1 absent. Quorum established.

## CORRECTIONS

None

## PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**Motion: Buttry**

**Second: Bricker**

Approve February 2025 Board Minutes

Roll call vote: Funke, aye; Richie, aye; Bricker, aye; Buttry, aye; Timmins, aye. 5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent.

Motion carried.

## CORRESPONDENCE

None

## NOTES

None

## FINANCE REPORT

**Motion: Timmins**

**Second: Buttry**

Approve Expenditures & Wages for February 2025

Roll call vote: Funke, aye; Richie, aye; Bricker, aye; Buttry, aye; Timmins, aye. 5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent.

Motion carried.

## DIRECTOR'S REPORT

### Director's Report

1. Continued work on reaching out to roofing companies for quotes on the wooden-shingled roof.

2. Reached out to multiple structural engineers/firms. Was able to ascertain that the middle section of the outer walkway wall can be safely removed.
3. We had our annual fire extinguisher inspection. We passed.
4. The banking issues we had with some of our items not showing up on our online account have been resolved.
5. Had initial discussion with Clearwave Fiber about setting up installation of our fiber line at the library.
6. Wood River Public Library reached out about serving one of their patrons who is temporarily staying in East Alton with homebound services. We have already begun those deliveries.
7. The library was recognized in The Telegraph on February 25 with a front-page article for our mini-golf event.
8. IL State Senator Erica Harriss' team came to the library for office hours on March 4. Nine members of community came to have discussions with her team. Her previous office hours at our library had zero visits.

## **Youth Services Report**

1. Lego Club on Feb 20th had 1 patron attend.
2. The "Library Love" Bulletin Board for the month of February had 22 participants.
3. I updated the bulletin board to a St. Patrick's Day theme. So far, 13 patrons have colored shamrocks that were added on.
4. Maui visited us on Feb 21st and 6 patrons attended and read many stories to him.
5. Storytime on Feb 27th, we read some stories about polar bears for national polar bear day. 5 patrons attended and we made polar bears using the shape of hands!
6. The February scavenger hunt had a total of 71 turned in.
7. Lego Club on Mar 6th had 2 patrons attend.
8. On Mar 8th 3 patrons attended the Mario Switch Freeplay.
9. I attended the SWAYS meeting on Mar 12 at Hayner Public Library. We talked about Reaching Forward South, Summer Reading, and had John Kirchner from IHLS as a guest who talked about Kit and Kaboodles.
10. Storytime on Mar 13th had 10 patrons in attendance. We read two books about leprechauns and then made our own bearded leprechauns!
11. I started coordinating with a teacher at the middle school to set up a field trip for the students to visit the library and get cards in April.

**DISCUSSION**

None

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS****Motion: Timmins****Second: Richie**

Approval of Wood-Shingle Roof Replacement

Roll call vote: Funke, aye; Richie, aye; Bricker, aye; Buttry, aye;

Timmins, aye. 5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent.

Motion carried.

**Motion: Buttry****Second: Richie**

Approval of Outside Walkway Wall Demolition

Roll call vote: Funke, aye; Richie, aye; Bricker, aye; Buttry, aye;

Timmins, aye. 5 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent.

Motion carried.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:10 PM.