

April 19, 2018

EAST ALTON PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the East Alton Public Library District board of Trustees was called to order at 5:45 p.m. by Margaret Funke at the library. Those in attendance were C. Wiegand, J. Richie, L. Silkwood, J. Bricker, S. Hierman, and A. Harris. Also present was the Director, Richard Chartrand.
7 present, 0 absent. Quorum established.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion: Hierman Second: Silkwood

Approve the minutes of the March 15, 2018 board meeting.
Roll call vote: Hierman, aye; Silkwood, aye; Wiegand, aye; Bricker, aye; Funke, aye; Harris, aye; Richie, aye. 7 ayes, no nays, 0 absent.
Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

- EAPLD FY2018 Per Capita Grant
- Preliminary Notice of IMRF Fund Contribution Rate for Year 2019
- Statement of Open Accelerated Payment Invoices

FINANCE

Motion: Richie Second: Silkwood

Approve wages and expenditures as presented for March 2018.
Roll call vote: Richie, aye; Silkwood, aye; Hierman, aye; Bricker, aye; Harris, aye; Funke, aye; Wiegand, aye. 7 ayes, no nays, 0 absent.
Motion carried.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

1. Volunteer Hours:
 - Will: 67
 - Rich: 73
2. By now, the County Clerk's Office should have emailed the link for the filing of the Statement of Economic Interest. Please return the certification copy to the library.
3. The final tax disbursement for the 2016 tax cycle was \$3,513.67. A copy of the settlement sheet is included in the board packet.
4. The Book Club selection for April is "Small Great Things" by Jodi Picoult. A gripping story of white supremacists whose baby goes into cardiac arrest and refuse the aid of any black health care worker.
5. The preliminary IMRF employer rate notice is included in the board packet. The projected rate is: 18.17%.
6. The 2016 Per Capita Grant was disbursed. It was funded at 75%. The amount was \$9,457.04.
7. A Replacement Tax check in the amount of \$17,306.73 was disbursed on April 10, 2018.
8. Last fall Liberty Bank was purchased by a bank holding company, United Community Bank Corp. This is headquartered in Chatham, IL. They were doing their final conversion from Liberty Bank software at the same time we were converting payroll.
9. The last day of the income tax service was April 10, 2018. I did not get a report on the number of filers. Joe Brewster, the coordinator, immediately left to go on a cruise.

YOUTH SERVICES REPORT

April 2018

Story time themes for March included two children's choice subjects: unicorns and puppets. Other themes were St. Patrick's, Dr. Seuss 114th

birthday celebration, and Easter. Coordinating crafts were cardboard unicorn puppets, St. Patrick's leprechauns hanging craft, Dr. Seuss read-a-long, and Easter egg foam crafts. We had our very own Easter egg hunt in the library! A lot of energy, excitement, and eggs!

Family movie night for March was Disney/Pixar's "Coco". Great turnout for the blockbuster movie. Eighteen were in attendance including a couple of "wandering" adults.

The SWAYS meeting for March was at the Case-Halstead Public Library in Carlyle. I wasn't able to attend. According to the minutes' summer reading program ideas were discussed including performers, prizes, and incentives.

I was invited to coordinate all the crafts for the neighborhood Easter egg hunt held at the recreation center. This is my second year to partner with the center. Huge turnout. The egg hunt was held inside in their gym which was so appropriate because of the sloppy, wet weather. Turnout was still a huge success and loads of fun. We estimated by the attendance registration that 180 children attended. I was ready for 160 children (ages 1-11) and probably had that many participate in the Easter craft that I prepared. We made cute bunnies using tp rolls. Children had their choice of colors. They seemed to enjoy the crafts, and the parents joined in the fun too. It was a very successful community event.

We love to welcome new children into our summer reading program. To promote and advertise I use our web page, Facebook page, flyers, and handouts. Promoting reading and its rewards is hard when competing with video games, iPads, outdoor recreation, sports, and band. I will be attending the annual Eastwood Elementary family read night next month to encourage reading and summer attendance in the summer reading club. We are their library since the school closed its library several years ago. Submitted by Maury Reynolds.

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:27 pm.