Minutes of the Sherman & Ruth Weiss Community Library Board of Trustees October 12, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 5:16 by President Karen Duffy.

Members Present:

Molly Lank-Jones

Donna Yackel

Ann Schleeter

Karen Duffy

Matt Ostrander

Katie Pritchett

Ray Moeller

Linda Hand



Members Absent, Excused:

Jesse Boettcher

Members Absent:

Kathy McCoy Linda Hand

Public Comments: There were no public comments.

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Donna Yackel, seconded by Ann Schleeter, to approve the September regular meeting minutes. The motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Treasurer's Report: This report is tabled until November.

Bills and Vouchers: A motion was made by Ann Schleeter, seconded by Ray Moeller, to approve the September bills and vouchers. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

Director's Report:

Ms. Lank-Jones covered the Director's Report by walking us through the Report and answering questions. Highlights included a request for donations to cover a budget shortfall, participation in a state parks program, the library's participation in Wisconsin Science Festival, and committee participation and continuing education by the director.

Committee Report:

Nature Park: A bench is being donated as a memorial. Matt will explore options for construction of the bench. Strategic Planning Committee: Molly presented a draft of "Strategic Priorities 2018-2022" with suggestions for revising it for 2023-2027. She, Ann, and Matt will work on the new document. In the meantime, she asked board members to read over what she has so far and give feedback at the November meeting. At the December meeting, the board will finalize that document and update our list of Capital Improvement projects.

Old Business:

Amendment of Bylaws: Revisions to Articles III and IV were suggested by Karen Duffy. A motion to approve the revisions was made by Ann, seconded by Donna, and approved on a unanimous voice vote. Trustees are asked to review the remainder of the bylaws for revision at the November meeting and final approval at the December meeting.

Walt Horton sculpture: Molly updated the board on the progress of this project. The sculpture is still in the planning and design stages. The donor has specified in his will that the sculpture (and coverage of any associated costs) are to go to our library.

New Business:

The revenue and expense reports from the city were reviewed.

All board members should try to attend the October 20 and November 17 meetings of the Sawyer County Board, to plead against funding reductions.

Next Meeting: The next meeting of the Board will be on Tuesday, 11/8, at 5:15 p.m., in the Community Meeting Room.

Motion to End the Meeting: At 6:29 Donna made a motion to adjourn the meeting, which was seconded by Katie. The motion carried by unanimous voice vote.

Submitted by Matt Ostrander, secretary