

SHIAWASSEE DISTRICT LIBRARY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
MINUTES
23 MARCH 2022

PRESENT: ROBIN FREDRICK, PRESIDENT
SARA PETTIT, VICE PRESIDENT
JAMIE SEMANS, SECRETARY
LONA OLIVER
CINDY GARBER
KATHY TEICH

EXCUSED: ELAINE KUCHAR, TREASURER

ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT: MARGARET BENTLEY, NANCY FOLARON, KIMBERLY WHITE

Fredrick called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

Approval of the Agenda: Pettit moved to approve the agenda as presented; seconded by Teich; motion carried.

Minutes: Semans moved to approve the minutes as presented; seconded by Pettit; motion carried.

Citizen's Comments: None.

Master Plan Presentation: Steve Schneemann and Dianne Schurg of Merritt Cieslak Design presented the master plan which they had designed for the Owosso Branch. It would allow for future expansion on the north side of the building. Their design would make the building more accessible, add study rooms, workspace, reconfigure both floors and the parking lot, etc.

Financial Report: Money will be moved in from the Thome Fund when the renovation project is completed. Financial statements have been received from Hemenway Business Service. The Friends of the Owosso Library paid for shelving unit for the board books in the children's department. Rehmann should have an audit report available soon.

Director's Report: A two week delay is expected in the renovations of Owosso's adult library; tentatively, it will take place in mid-May. The City of Durand may use part of their ARPA funds to raise the library roof sections and add a metal roof. Pettit will draft a letter to the Durand city council in support of the roof replacement.

Correspondence: A letter from Gov. Whitmer in support of March as Reading Month and Carole Schaefer's resignation from the board were included in the packet.

Publicity: Publicity was passed around for board members to read.

Folaron is working on talking with board members for newsletter articles and information on the website.

Old Business:

Owosso Facility Projects Update: A/C is currently being worked on. The Adult Library renovation has been delayed.

Spring Board Retreat: E-mail was sent to board members with a Doodle Poll; White requested that any board members who have not yet responded, please do so.

August 2nd Millage Renewal: Ballot language is still with the attorney and should be available by the April meeting.

New Business:

Bentley Retirement: April 23, 2022 will be Bentley's last day of work.

Discussion:

Reports, Announcements: A photo of the board will be taken at the April board meeting.

The adult library may have to close for a day or two while the new A/C units are installed for safety reasons.

Summer Reading Program plans were presented.

Adjourn: Semans moved to adjourn at 9:16 p.m.; seconded by Pettitt; motion carried.



Jamie Semans
Board Secretary

Attachments:

Attachments to Original Only: Letter from Gov. Gretchen Whitmer
Resignation letter from Carole Schaefer
Master Plan from Merritt Cieslak Design