

4/10/17 Board of Trustees Decorah Public Library Meeting

Attendees: Pat Anderson, Andi Beckendorf, Lorraine Borowski, Ed Brooks, Bob Felde, Cheryl Pellett, Jim Rhodes, Denise Tapscott, Alexandra White, and Friends Representative Cynthia Peterson. **Absent:** Scott Fjelstul

Beckendorf called meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. in lower level meeting room.

1. **Approval of Agenda for April 10, 2017.** Approved.
2. **Minutes from March 13, 2017.** Felde moved to approve minutes, Rhodes seconded. Minutes approved.
3. **Claims for April 2017.** Total expenditures (12,924.52) revenue (25,957.84). Borowski noted that revenue includes amount from LSTA grant (grant ends in June 2017). Pellett moved to accept claims, Anderson seconded. Claims approved.
4. **Discussion of impact of federal budget proposals re: IMLS and Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS includes RSVP).** IMLS grant is ending. Kathy preparing new grant on July 1. CNCS funding change could impact RSVP. Beckendorf noted that IMLS benefits other local organizations in Decorah such as Vesterheim Museum.
5. **Reports from the Library Director.**
 - a. **Statistics.** Circulation shows large increase since March 2016.
 - b. **Space Planning/Building Update.** New door installed in front of library (\$2375 bid). Bid from Casper to replace boiler pump (\$1681); would be good to replace this during warmer weather. Rhodes moved to approve replacement of boiler pump, Pellett seconded. Board authorized installation of boiler pump, to be done at time Director and Casper determine is appropriate and convenient.
 - c. **Other.** LED Project has raised \$510 thus far from community donations, fundraising will continue until May 15 (total project cost is \$15,500 – seeking \$5200 from community, \$5200 will be provided by Friends, \$5100 from Library Line item).
6. **Report from Friends of the Library (Cynthia Peterson).** No meeting since March 13 – will meet on April 12.
7. **Unfinished Business.** Anderson asked about webinars for requiring five hours/year of training of board leadership. Borowski will email information to the Board on how to access webinars.

8. New Business. *Report on Library Director Search –Request of Closed Session (Peterson and Borowski departed meeting)*

With signed confidentiality statements from candidates for the Library Director Search, Beckendorf read Chapter 21.5 (i) to the board: *To evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance, or discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation and that individual requests a closed session.*

Anderson moved to go into closed session, Pellett seconded. Motion approved to go into closed session.

Anderson moved to come out of closed session, Rhodes approved. Motion approved to end closed session.

Felde moved to accept the two recommended candidates for interview. Pellett seconded. Board approved the two candidates for interview.

Meeting adjourned at 5:28 p.m. REMINDER - Next meeting is May 10, 2017

Respectfully submitted,

Alexandra White, Board Secretary