

**JOPLIN PUBLIC LIBRARY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
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14 MAY 2015**

The regular meeting of the Joplin Public Library Board of Trustees was called to order at 4 p.m. in the Library's Large Meeting Room by President Courtney Dermott. Board Members Dorothy Willcoxon, Doug Glynn, Charles Parker, Ellen Eastman, Bill Pate, Bobbi Myers, Jill LaGasse, and David Layne, and Library Director Jacque Gage were present

- I. REQUEST TO ADDRESS THE BOARD:** Failed to show.
- II. MINUTES.** Minutes from the regular April Board meeting were approved as e-mailed. **(LaGasse/Layne) 8/0** Minutes from the special April 22 Board meeting were approved as e-mailed, with the addition of Bobbi Myers' name as an attendee. **(Glynn/Layne) 8/0**
- III. EXPENDITURES:** April 2015 non-salary expenditures in the amount of \$33,587.28 were approved. **(Willcoxon/Myers) 8/0**
- IV. COMMITTEE REPORTS:** None.
- V. UNFINISHED BUSINESS.**
  - A. Update on strategic planning.** Had two Skype meetings with new strategic planner June Garcia. She has a draft of what our service priorities will be. When it's more complete, it will be shared with the Board.
  - B. Update on state aid and budget.** No word yet on cost of MoreNet next year. REAL and MoreNet money has been released but will be delivered in form of check. Athletes and Entertainers money has been released.
  - C. Update on LinkLine account.** When Jacque tried to close the account, she learned it had been closed by someone else whose name was on the account. The bank would not reveal who closed it and accepted the money. The account is now closed, and we will not be charged anything.
  - D. Update on Technical Services Librarian search.** 12 applicants thus far. Still a little time to accept applications.
- V. NEW BUSINESS:**
  - A. Trip to Cedar Rapids Public Library in Iowa.** OPN Architects designed the city's new library after it was destroyed by a flood. Bradd Brown with OPN and Jim Shufflebeam with Sapp Design Associates thought it would be beneficial to visit that library. Jacque, Patty Crane, Phyllis Seesengood, Lee Cushing and Linda Cannon will travel there by van, along with Lynn Onstot, the City's Public Information Officer, May 27-29.

**1. Side item:** Bill Pate expressed concern about having a green building to help defray costs, as revenue sources will be tight. Jacque detailed what Jim Stufflebeam has planned, including lights equivalent to those in an LED-certified building, low-flow toilets, natural lighting, native plants and rainwater collection.

**VI. LIBRARIAN'S REPORT:**

- A/C unit in the Children's Department needs to be replaced. It has arrived, but a crane must be rented to get it on the roof.
- Will be at MPLD June 3-5.
- A retirement reception for Post Memorial Art Library Director Leslie Simpson was held Sunday. The event was organized by Jill Sullivan and Emily Frankowski. Attendance was good.
- Telephone charges will likely exceed budgeted amount, thanks to twice weekly conference calls about building.
- The Library's workers comp insurance plan has been audited, as it is every year. We will have to pay an additional amount.
- Communications committee talked to marketing firms regarding logos, re-branding and publicity campaigns. The EDA grant will pay for part as long as something, such as a logo, can be used in the new library.
- The Family Place Library visit went well. The Library's work was labeled "exemplary," and there were no suggestions of how to do things differently. Nice ribbon cutting by the Chamber of Commerce.

**VII. STATISTICS:** Database use continues to rise. Jacque explained wi-fi sessions and individual wi-fi users, as well as adult internet usage

**VIII.** The Board considered a motion to convene in closed session under 610.021 RSMo to discuss real estate, legal and/or personnel issues. The Board President requested a roll-call vote, and the Administrative Assistant was asked to leave the meeting.

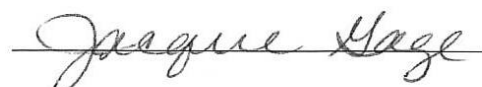
The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.

Written by



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Administrative Assistant

Approved by



Jacque Gage  
Secretary

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Joplin Public Library will be held at 4 p.m. Monday, 15 June, in the Large Meeting Room of the Library.