

**LIBRARY MINUTES  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
JOPLIN PUBLIC LIBRARY  
22 JULY 2019**

The regular meeting of the Joplin Public Library Board of Trustees was called to order at 4:03 p.m. in Conference Room 1 of the Library by President William Pate. Board Members William Pate, Doug Glynn, Nicole Shoaf, Amy Koeshall, Lisa Erickson, and Jim Fleischaker, and Library Director Jeana Gockley were present. Administrative Assistant Lisa E. Brown and Technical Services Librarian Leslie Hayes were also present.

**EXCUSED ABSENCES:** David Layne, Mary Gaarder and Barbara Hicklin.

**BOARD EDUCATION:** None.

**MINUTES:** Minutes from the regular June 2019 meeting were approved as distributed.  
**(Fleischaker/Shoaf) 5/0**

**EXPENDITURES:** June non-salary expenditures in the amount of \$48,325.48 were approved.  
**(Shoaf/Glynn) 5/0**

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:** None.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. **Sculpture update.** Jim Fleischaker reported that the Kiwanis Club will order and pay for the sculpture, as well as cover the cost of its installation. This process will take place most likely next spring. The Board and the Library Director will need to determine a location, preferably near the front of the Library. Jeana will meet with the Kiwanis committee.
2. **Director's contract.** Jeana and President Pate initially signed the contract last week, noting the change in Jeana's vacation accrual. The final, corrected version will be signed and notarized when Reference Librarian Patty Crane is back in the office.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **Board officers.** Jeana asked that the Board postpone naming new officers until all members are present. The Board concurred.

**LIBRARIAN'S REPORT:**

**Announcements:**

- **Financials**
  - Received a \$1,000.00 from the Frederick & Rebekah Hughes Charitable Trust.
  - The library has received \$39,657.77 since March 2019 in grant and state aid payments. Currently, the financial statements do not reflect this, but we are

working with the City of Joplin's Finance Department to have the revenue placed in the correct accounts.

- **Building & Grounds**

- Additional roof leaks were found over the AMH and along the wall in the AMH room. On Monday, July 15, an employee from Guarantee Roofing came out and caulked some of the areas. He also took some pictures of the roof in that area to send to his boss because according to him, "it is a complicated area with a lot going on."

- **Community Engagement**

- On Wednesday, July 17, fourteen Kansas City University students volunteered at the library for "We Care Day." This yearly event allows groups of first-year medical students to be assigned to a local agency to assist with pre-planned, non-medical projects. The library had groups shifting in our Reference and Local History Departments, creating banners for the Teen Department and cleaning shelving in the Children's Department.
- Library staff will attend a welcome event for Kansas City University students on Monday, July 22.

- **Staff**

- Staff have been helpful and welcoming during Jeana's transition to the library. Thanks to Lisa Brown and Leslie Hayes for serving as co-interims during the past several months. And thanks to all staff for the celebratory "Chips and Dips Day" that was held in Jeana's honor on Tuesday, July 16.
- Lydia Humphreys last day with the library will be Thursday, August 1. She has served as an assistant in the library's Makerspace since March 2018.

- **Programs**

- July's Explore & Play event was held on Saturday, July 20. Staff created stations and activities that centered around camping. One hundred forty-three parents and children partook in the festivities.
- Teen Department staff host a Random Awesomeness program every week during the summer where teens are invited to play games and hang out. On Thursday, July 20, there were fifteen teens in attendance.

**Statistics:** Jeana reviewed statistics with the Board. Overdrive statistics have been updated.

In closing, Jeana presented President Pate with a plaque of appreciation for his service on the Board.

The meeting adjourned at 4:47 p.m.

Written by

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Administrative Assistant

Approved by

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Library Director

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Joplin Public Library will be held at 4 p.m. Monday, 19 August 2019, in Conference Room 1 of the Library.