

**LIBRARY MINUTES
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
JOPLIN PUBLIC LIBRARY
21 OCTOBER 2019**

The regular meeting of the Joplin Public Library Board of Trustees was called to order at 4:02 p.m. in Conference Room 1 of the Library by President Mary Gaarder. Board Members Mary Gaarder, William Pate, Doug Glynn, David Layne, Lisa Erickson, Barbara Hicklin, and Jim Fleischaker, and Library Director Jeana Gockley were present.

GUESTS: Post Art Librarian Jill Sullivan, Technical Services Librarian Alyssa Berry, and Circulation Supervisor Eden Elliott.

EXCUSED ABSENCES: Nicole Shoaf and Amy Koeshall.

BOARD EDUCATION: Jill Sullivan discussed the Oct. 26 Joplin Writers Faire, to be held at the Joplin Public Library.

MINUTES: Minutes from the regular September 2019 meeting were approved as distributed. **(Fleischaker/Layne) 6/0**

VOUCHERS: September non-salary expenditures in the amount of \$37,981.66 were approved. **(Glynn/Fleischaker) 6/0**

COMMITTEE REPORTS: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **Proposed FY20 budget.** Jeana presented a proposed FY20 budget to the Board for their consideration and answered their questions. There was a motion by Jim Fleischaker to adopt the proposed budget. Second by Barbara Hicklin. Motion passed. **(6/0)**

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Scheduling meetings for Community Relations and Building and Grounds Committees.** President Gaarder suggested that the committees schedule meetings soon. Jeana proposed monthly meetings for Community Relations, and that Building and Grounds could focus on landscaping and the roof.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT:

Announcements:

- **Staff**
 - Eden Elliot, new circulation supervisor, started September 25.
 - Alyssa Berry, new Technical Services Librarian, started September 30.

Library Resources

- The Makerspace will reopen in November. The digitization equipment is being moved to the Local History room to better accommodate users.

Community Engagement

- Represented the library at the Chamber After Hours events on September 17 and October 15.
- Discussed the Children's Department play area and the Manhattan Short Film Festival on the Library's monthly spot on KSN's Living Well, October 1.

Programs

- The Library hosted a Flu Shot Clinic, in partnership with The Community Clinic, on October 17. Fifty-six people received immunizations. We will host another clinic on November 2.
- October's Explore & Play event had 102 parents and children in attendance. The theme was Monster Day.
- An artist's reception for GRIND, a solo show by local artist Brett Dorrance, will take place on October 24, from 6-7:30 pm.
- As Jill shared, the Joplin Writers' Faire will take place on October 26.

Building & Grounds

- Phase II of Landscaping has commenced.

Training

- Attended the Missouri Association Library Conference October 2-4.
- Attending the Library Journal Director's Summit in Tulsa on November 6-8.
- Staff Development Day will take place on November 11. We will be closed to the public. The Board of Trustees is invited to join us for lunch from 12 -12:45. RSVP to Jeana or Lisa.

Statistics: Reference database use is up. Children's and Teen's programs resumed. More adult outreach (ArtsFest, Third Thursday). Circulation is down, following trends elsewhere.

STAFF COMMENTS: None.

BOARD COMMENTS: None.

The meeting adjourned at 5:09 p.m.

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Approved by

Library Director

The next regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Joplin Public Library will be held at 4 p.m. Monday, 18 November 2019, in Conference Room 1 of the Library.