

**LIBRARY MINUTES  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
JOPLIN PUBLIC LIBRARY  
24 FEBRUARY 2020**

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 Mary Gaarder. Board Members Mary Gaarder, Doug Glynn, Barbara Hicklin, Lisa Erickson, Jim Fleischaker, Emily Stanley, and Andrea Cullers, and Library Director Jeana Gockley were present. Circulation Supervisor Eden Elliott was also present.

**EXCUSED ABSENCES:** Nicole Shoaf and David Layne.

President Gaarder opened the meeting by introducing new Board Member Andrea Cullers.

**BOARD EDUCATION:** Circulation Supervisor Eden Elliott spoke about what the Library is doing in regards to pest control, specifically bed bugs.

**MINUTES:** Minutes from the regular January 2020 meeting were approved as distributed. **(Glynn/Fleischaker) 6/0**

**VOUCHERS:** January non-salary expenditures in the amount of \$52,031.13 were approved. **(Fleischaker/Stanley) 6/0**

The Board reviewed revised Expenses and Revenues from October 2019.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS: Community Relations.** Ex Officio Gaarder reported in Chair Nicole Shoaf's absence. The Committee is meeting tomorrow with individuals invited to form a Friends of the Library group. They also met with a Design Practicum class from MSSU regarding promotional materials for the Library.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. **Appointment of new Board Member.** Andrea Cullers has been appointed to fill Amy Koeshall's unexpired term.
2. **Signatory resolution.** Jeana read the signatory resolution that the Board needs to sign every year. Motion by Fleischaker to approve the proposed signatory resolution, second by Stanley. Motion passed. **6/0**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **Pest control quotes.** Jeana is getting pest control quotes from three companies. She would like to table the item until next month's meeting, when she hopes to have full quotes.
2. **Review of MSSU Design Practicum class recommendations.** The class met with the Community Relations Committee on Jan. 30. Branding, social media, and interior design are areas the class identified to focus on. They named problem areas, as well

as possible solutions. However, they'd like to continue working with us in the future, as some of the problems are not easily resolved.

## **LIBRARIAN'S REPORT:**

### **Announcements:**

#### **Community Engagement**

- On our monthly [KSN Living Well](#) spot shared information on Harry Potter Book Night and Children's Take Home Bags on February 4.
- A [press release](#) for 1 Million Cups was issued and picked up by the local media. Weekly events will start March 25 at 9 am.
- Lee Cushing, the library's IT manager did an interview for [KSN](#) on Safer Internet Day on February 11.

#### **Programs**

- The Children's Department's fourth annual Harry Potter Book Event was well received on February 7.
- Presented an outreach program to Kiwanis on February 11.
- A Red Cross Blood Drive was held at the Library on February 12.

#### **Building & Grounds**

- Roof repair is still on RE Smith's list. They will make the repair once the rainy weather abates.

#### **Training**

- Leadership Joplin training continues. Have attended three sessions - Communications, Motive Matters/Missions and Local Government.

**Statistics:** E-books and e-audiobooks were up in January. (People often get devices for the holidays.) Total volumes added was up; Technical Services has been working very hard.

**STAFF COMMENTS:** None.

**BOARD COMMENTS:** Jim Fleischaker – The Kiwanis statue has shipped and should arrive soon.

The meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

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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, 16 March 2020, in Conference Room 1 of the Library.