

Bloomfield Public Library
Library Board of Trustees Meeting

Meeting Minutes
October 10, 2023

Present

Roger Wuthrich
Lindsey Garmon
Marilyn Piper
Rhonda Eakins
Sheila Westegard
Amy Tyson
Russ Mikels
Anne Tews, Library Director
Robert VonBon, Library Employee

Absent

Marty Hudson
Shannon Vesely

The meeting was called to order at 5:15

- **Public Comments**
 - None
- **Approve Consent Agenda**
 - It was moved by Marilyn and seconded by Russ to approve the consent agenda. It passed unanimously.
 - It was moved by Sheila and seconded by Marilyn to approve the September minutes. It passed unanimously.
 - It was moved by Russ and seconded by Sheila to approve the claims as presented. It passed unanimously.
- **Unfinished Business**
 - Officer Elections
 - Lindsey nominated Sheila Westegard for president. Russ seconded. It passed unanimously.
 - Sheila nominated Marilyn Piper for vice president. Rhonda seconded. It passed unanimously.
 - Rhonda nominated Lindsey Garmon for secretary. Russ seconded. It passed unanimously.
- **New Business**
 - Whitney Danos
 - Whitney introduced herself to the board as a member of the Friends of Library. She is looking to highlight good things going on at the library.

Whitney also proposed her idea of a community kindness box to be put outside the library. It was moved by Sheila to allow Whitney to place the kindness box outside of the library. It was seconded by Rhonda. It passed unanimously.

- Approve salaries for FY2025
 - Anne \$20.00 → \$21.00
 - Margaret \$17.50 → \$18.50
 - Deb \$16.28 → \$16.77
 - Heather \$14.85 → \$15.30
 - Robert \$14.94 → \$15.39
 - It was moved by Marilyn to approve the above wage increases. It was seconded by Russ. It passed unanimously.
- Direct State Aid and Purchase Discussion
 - Anne filled out Tier III paperwork in order for our library to get an increase in Direct State Aid money. The library received \$2,006.13. Anne proposed this money be spent on technology for the children's library. It was moved by Sheila to approve \$1,492.16 on technology (iPads, computer, and cases) and for the remaining money to be spent on adding items to the Library of Things. It was seconded by Rhonda. It passed unanimously. \

Budget - long term, ways to reduce spending

- The finance committee will meet to discuss and report back to the board at a future meeting.

Reports:

- Budget/Finance
 - None
- Building & Grounds
 - None
- Nominating
 - None
- Personnel
 - None
- Policy
 - None
- Public Relations
 - None
- Technology
 - None.

A motion was made by Rhonda and seconded by Sheila to adjourn. It passed unanimously. The meeting ended at 6:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Lindsey Garmon