

Marion County Library Sub-District #1
Board of Trustees
Minutes
February 18, 2020

The meeting of the Marion County Library Sub-District #1 board of trustees was called to order with Jerry Trower, Andrea Barnes, Leeanna Delaney and Director Stephanie Harrington present. Jason Janes was excused and Ellen Stuhlman arrived slightly after the meeting began. Vice President Barnes called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

The meeting agenda was approved.

There were 3 visitors. Pam Behring was in attendance and expressed interest again in a board position. Steve McGregor and Sharon Beardsly from Trust GDC were in attendance to review and answer questions regarding the library insurance portfolio for 2020.

Minutes from the December and January meetings were approved.

The board approved the expenditures and then reviewed and approved the December and January financial reports.

Director's Report:

- Audit – Gary Luck may be willing to conduct or audit. Submitting the requested information to him for him to finalize his decision. We will go with Wade Stables if he is unwilling to conduct the audit.
- Introducing the Ruff Readers program to the library. Children are able to read to specially trained service dogs to increase their reading confidence in a 'safe, no pressure' environment. Discussion was had regarding animals in the library and allergies.
- The masonry work required by the city will begin in the Spring.
- Due to inventory issues, the Friends group has decided not to use Savemore Carpet and will be seeking alternatives.
- There have been no responses back regarding the RFPs.
- Introduced Book Bingo as a winter reading program for adults with tremendous success. Currently have 87 participants.
- Suggestion for a structured monthly board review schedule.
- 2020 Census – the library will be promoting participation in the census.
- Policy Manual is in process. The board requested the policies would be presented for approval on a gradual schedule rather than all policies needing approval at one time.
- Teen Room Project will be done by the summer.
- Circulation Desk project is complete – receiving many compliments from patrons.

Unfinished Business

- Library Hours – there was discussion regarding the library hours in response to the patron survey that suggested they would like the library to be open more hours. The board voted to move forward slowly and did approve a Monday through Friday schedule of 10-6pm. Saturday will remain 10-2 at this time.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Leeanna Delaney, Secretary