

Thorntown Public Library Board of Trustees
January 9, 2023
Minutes

President Chuck Behrens called the meeting to order at 6:13 pm. Also present were Jennifer Bopp, Amber Brown, Barb Hillger, Judy Johnson, Barney Lewis, Director Christine Sterle, Treasurer Barbara Darnell, and board assistant Kathy Bowen.

Judy moved to approve the agenda with a second by Jennifer. Vote 6-0

Barb moved to approve the December Secretary's report with additional claims presented by Barbara Darnell. Barney seconded. Vote 6-0

Barbara presented the Monthly Financial Report. Receipts into the operating fund for December, 2022 were \$197,632.56. Operating fund disbursements totaled \$57,846.64. December's ending cash balance was \$1,044,009.95 with investments of \$274,888.80. Total Cash/Investments were \$1,318,898.75.

Barbara explained the 2022 transfers.

Barb moved to approve the Register of Claims with a second by Barney. Vote 6-0

Christine reported there were no PLAC cards sold for the quarter.

With no public present the board proceeded to Reports.

Thorntown Heritage Museum – No report.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Encumbrances from 2022 were requested as follows:

\$5,733.25 for North Mechanical Q4 2022 – from Repairs & Maintenance
\$9,416 for commercial policy – from Insurance-Other

Encumbrances total \$15,149.25. Barb moved to approve the Encumbrances with a second from Jennifer. Vote 6-0

After review, Barb moved to adopt the Authorization to Pay Bills with Prior Approval with a second from Amber. Vote 6-0

Barb moved to adopt the Resolution to Transfer \$75,000 from the Operating Fund to the Rainy Day Fund for the purpose(s) of repairs and maintenance or any other lawful purpose. Barney seconded the motion. Vote 6-0

YA Room Use – currently our YA room is a reservable space from 9a-3p on days when school is in session – however, staff often make accommodations outside of these hours, and the room is then closed to the teens. After discussion it was decided to remove the YA Room from reservable spaces.

Meeting Room Policy – our current policy and examples of two other libraries were presented. Changes will be discussed at a future meeting.

The Bylaws for Board of Trustees were reviewed. Barb moved to approve the Bylaws with a second by Barney. Vote 6-0

Director's Report

Christine updated the board on the search for a new assistant Children's Librarian.

The library's 40" Insignia TV took a bad fall this weekend. We have a second smart TV that can be used in the meeting rooms.

Our HVAC software is currently inaccessible but should be fixed this week.

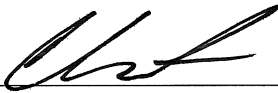
15 people completed their 2022 reading goals and goodie bags have been awarded.

Christine and Kathy attended a town council meeting January 2. Thorntown is beginning the "visioning" process and looking for input from the community.

Christine will be attending the Boone County State of the Community on February 7.

The board was updated on some proposed legislation under consideration at the statehouse.

Barb motioned to adjourn the January board meeting with a second by Amber at 7:42 p.m. Vote 6-0.



Christine Sterle, Secretary *Pro tem*