

Mexico Public Library Board Meeting Minutes

July 14, 2021

***Informational meeting only due to lack of quorum**

Attending: Julie Forbes, Dorothy Dineen, Lisa Fleming, Tracy Fleming

Excused: Sharon Anderson, Mary Beth Horn, John Ferry

Visitors:

Previous Minutes Motion to Approve:

Minutes of the 05/12/21 meeting reviewed

Treasurer's Report:

- Account balances as of 06/30/21:
 - Pathfinder Building Fund Checking \$2,835.49
 - Pathfinder Checking Operating..... \$256,614.77
 - Pathfinder R.E. & L.C. Brown Memorial..... \$11,211.94
 - ❖ Total Bank and Cash Accounts **\$270,662.20**
- A municipal donation account has been set up; donations can be made via PayPal on the MPL website as well as through Amazon Smile
- MPL has moved Workers' Compensation coverage back to the county plan after learning that was a viable option.

Library Director's Report:

- Circulation and patron visits continue to increase; patrons are taking advantage of the increased summer hours
- The new WordPress website is up and running smoothly
- New media additions are on backorder as suppliers struggle to find employees
- The Summer Reading Program is going well. Most participants are using the Read Squared app to track minutes and earn milestone badges. Tickets are also being earned for prize drawings at the library
- Dorothy will be posting the Library Assistant position next week
- Clubs and groups have started asking about the meeting room; the board discussed possibly opening in September unless Covid19 cases increase
- The library has had one contractor give an estimate on the brick work needed next to the ramp; further information is needed before a commitment is made
- Dorothy proposed making the library permanently fine free; further discussion and a vote will happen at the September meeting

Other Business:

- Russell Partrick has resigned from his role as Vice-President of the MPL Board. The board expresses their sincere gratitude for Russell's many years of service and dedication to the library.
- The Mexico Chamber of Commerce may be interested in taking over the Cider Run. Julie will be meeting with them to discuss.

Technology Report: Nothing new to report

Next Meeting: Wednesday, September 8, 2021 @ 5:00pm

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Fleming
Library Board Secretary