

Mexico Public Library Board Meeting Minutes

November 8, 2023

Attending: Julie Forbes, Dorothy Dineen, Lisa Fleming, Regan Kanaley, Sharon Anderson, Tracy Fleming, Colleen Grzesik

Excused: Mary Beth Horn, Carol Bradlinski Watros

Visitors: Heather Eveleigh

Previous Minutes Motion to Approve:

S. Anderson moved to approve the minutes of the 9/6/2023 meeting, seconded by T. Fleming - All in favor

Treasurer's Report:

- Account balances as of 10/31/2023:
 - Pathfinder Building Fund Checking \$2,843.17
 - Pathfinder Checking Operating..... \$240,961.60
 - Pathfinder R.E. & L.C. Brown Memorial..... \$11,270.18
 - Pathfinder Donations Savings \$664.52
 - ❖ Total Bank and Cash Accounts **\$255,739.47**
- L. Fleming moved to approve the Treasurer's Report, seconded by J. Forbes – All in favor

Library Director's Report:

- Dorothy shared the Public Comment at Board Meetings Policy
 - R. Kanaley moved to approve the Policy as written, seconded by S. Anderson – All in favor
- Kowalski Construction has completed repairs to the brick work. Quotes will be forthcoming for repair or replacement of the ramp. A construction grant may be an option to help offset cost.
- MPL will once again be participating in Christmas in Mexico; some offerings will be Santa's Book Shop and kids crafts.
- No word yet from Senator Walcayk's office regarding the water fountain grant
- The board reviewed the MPL 2024 Proposed Budget
 - L. Fleming moved to approve the Budget as written, seconded by S. Anderson – All in favor

Other Business:

Technology Report:

- Tracy will work with CNY Robotics to try to obtain a grant to offer a one-time robotics workshop for middle school aged kids.
- The remote control workshop is no longer an option due to health issues of the instructor.

Public Comment:

- Heather Eveleigh, an active patron of the library, commented on the following issues:
 - Suggested asking for public comments/surveys on Facebook regarding programming
 - Suggested programs be created as Events in Facebook so users get reminders
 - Her sons loved the Summer Reading Program, but were disappointed in the prizes
 - She would prefer youth tech programs start as introductions where kids would come in play without a structured lesson; also not weekly meetings
 - Heather's son suggested a gaming event

Next Meeting: Wednesday, January 10, 2024 @ 5:00pm

With no further business, S. Anderson moved to adjourn, seconded by T. Fleming

Respectfully submitted,
Lisa Fleming
Library Board Secretary