

Indian River Area Library
Board Minutes
July 19, 2022

Meeting called to order at 3:37.

Present: Jim Anglewicz, Jill Sager, Kathy Cole, Patty Hull, Elise Harrington, David Hill, and Kelsey Rutkowski. Guest: Karen Hill.

Anglewicz motioned to approve the agenda with the amendment of changing the stated date of the meeting from June 21 to July 19. Sager seconded, and all AYE.

Anglewicz motioned to change “move funds” to “move \$150,000” from the pool to the investment account. Also to change the Friends meeting from July 12 to July 19, and the stated board meeting date from June 16 to June 21.

Hull motioned to accept the July minutes with the above discussed amendments, Cole seconded, and all AYE.

Sager motioned to accept the Annual Board Meeting Minutes, Hill seconded, and all AYE.

Anglewicz motioned to accept the Special Budget Meeting Minutes, Sager seconded, and all AYE.

Anglewicz motioned to approve the monthly bills, Hull seconded, and all AYE.

Financial Report: Anglewicz discussed some concerns with Clare Membiela about the fiscal relationship with the township. An agreement needs to be drawn up and agreed upon. Hull motioned to approve the financial report, Sager seconded, and all AYE.

Friends of the Library: Karen Hill reported that the monthly meetings are on the second Tuesday of the month. The treasurer has resigned but will stay on until a replacement is found. The membership letter will be sent out in September if a new treasurer is found. The Mah Jongg tournament will be September 22. After August 1st, volunteers will go into the elementary library to help organize it. Still looking for volunteers to help in the elementary library on Tuesday and Thursdays starting in October. During Summerfest, the remaining paintings will be on sale. The Friends will fund the purchase of a paper trimmer and tech cart for the library.

Director Report: Rutkowski reported that patronage is increasing. A non-fiction book club is being started. The newsletter will go out in September and April. The library of things needs to be categorized and a policy drawn up.

Old Business:

- A. Makerspace Classroom Plumbing Project-tabled until the fall.

- B. Book and Material Challenges-rely on Policies to address any issues. At the next board meeting the complaint form will be reviewed .

Public Comment: Karen Hill suggested reinforcement of the procedures for handling complaints.

New Business:

- A. State Trustee Meeting- Anglewicz attended the meeting in Petoskey and included information in the board packet of information on Book Challenges and Censorship, Contracts, State Aid, and other helpful information.
- B. Policy Meeting-policy meetings will resume after the summer reading program ends in August. The meeting dates will be discussed at the next board meeting.
- C. Strategic Planning Meeting-September 8 at 4:30. Open to the public.
- D. Library Page Job Opportunity- Rutkowski suggested hiring a high school student next summer for a few hours a week to put away books. At the March meeting, the job and the wages will be discussed.

Anglewicz motioned to adjourn at 5:42, Hull seconded, and all AYE.