Independence Public Library Board of Trustees Minutes

Wednesday, January 16, 2019

I. **Call the Meeting to Order:** A regular meeting of the library board was called to order by Chairman Carolyn Torrance at 5:18 p.m.

**Trustees attending:** Michelle Anderson, Tom Richardson, Tom Sewell, Jana Shaver and Carolyn Torrance.

**Also attending:** Library Director Jeri Hopkins and John Long.

1. **Adoption of Agenda:** Richardson moved to accept the agenda. Sewell seconded. Motion carried.

2. **Approval of the Minutes:** Minutes of the January 4 special meeting were approved as distributed.

II. **Consent Agenda:**

The consent agenda for the January 16, 2019 meeting was adopted as presented. Total expenses for bills and payroll for the month of December were $48,075.21.

III. **Old Business:** None

IV. **New Business:**

1. **Expulsion Policy:** An incident at the library has caused concern regarding the need for an expulsion policy. Hopkins will write one and recommended having an attorney review it. The board agreed.

V. **Staff Reports:**

1. Hopkins reported on new activities in the young adult department. An international book club is being started and a reading club for special needs patrons has been implemented. There is a new teen space with 3 programs a week. Department Director, Betsy, is working with Charlene, Children’s Director, to change the summer reading program to a summer learning program. The “Tatanka-Story of the American Bison” exhibit will open on January 29 with a showing of the PBS documentary. The staff has applied for a Coffeyville Refinery Grant for $140,000.

VI. **Upcoming Events:**

Spelling Bee-February 9 at 6:00 in the Booth Hotel.

Martin Luther King Celebration in the IHS auditorium at 3:00 p.m. Library will have an exhibit there.

VII. **Board Comments:** Chairman Torrance was presented with a birthday card from Charlene, children’s librarian, in appreciation for her help.

VIII. **Adjournment:**

The next regular meeting will be on February 20, 2019 at 5:15. Meeting adjourned at 6"04 p.m.

Jana Shaver, Secretary

Date of Approval: ___________