Independence Public Library Board of Trustees Minutes

Wednesday, February 20, 2019

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

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

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

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

2. **Approval of the Minutes:** Minutes of the January 16 regular meeting were approved as distributed.

II. **Consent Agenda:**

The consent agenda for the February 20, 2019 meeting was adopted as presented including the revised December financial reports. Total expenses for bills and payroll for the month of January were $50,434.03.

III. **Old Business:**

1. The Library Presence Form was reviewed. Hopkins reminded board members that they should use this form to record sightings of library information in the community.

IV. **New Business:**

1. Budget-Hopkins reviewed the proposed budget. She explained that it includes a 3% pay increase. It also includes an extra pay increase for some staff. There was discussion. Board members were supportive of the pay increase. Sewell moved to approve. Morse seconded. Motion carried. The finalized budget will be presented to the board in April.

2. Board of Education Resolution- Resolution 2019-2 requesting an increase in the mill levy was reviewed. Sewell moved to approve. Anderson seconded. Motion carried.

V. **Staff Reports:**

Hopkins shared the Classes and Events calendar with the board. She also showed the plans for the children’s department remodel. Board members reviewed comparison charts showing the data that is submitted to the State of Kansas. Circulation for 2018 was up again, with young adult circulation increase 85%. The new book club for disabled adults is being well received. Sixty patrons attended the Tatanka exhibit. Spelling Bee receipts were $3,622. A Gold Star web-site is being developed.

**Upcoming Events:**

February 26, 6:00 p.m.- Living room conversations: Zero Tolerance
March 8, 5:00 p.m.- NASA Week Spring Break Lift Off at 4-H Building
March 12, 5:15 p.m.- Friends of Library Business meeting
April 8, 7:00 p.m.- USD 446 board meeting in HIS Community Room.

VI. **Board Comments:** Members complimented Hopkins on her fine work.

VII. **Adjournment:**

The next regular meeting will be on March 20, 2019 at 5:15. Meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

Jana Shaver, Secretary

Date of Approval: ___________