Independence Public Library Board of Trustees Minutes

Wednesday, January 15, 2020

I. Call the Meeting to Order: The regular meeting of the library board was called to order by Chairman Carolyn Torrance at 5:15 p.m.

Trustees attending: Michelle Anderson, Tom Richardson, Jana Shaver and Carolyn Torrance. Absent: Megan House, Nick Morse and Tom Sewell.

Also attending: Library Director Jeri Hopkins and John Long, Assistant, Director.

Guests: Marge and Paul Yaroslaski, members of the Leadership Independence class.

1. Adoption of Agenda-Richardson moved and Anderson seconded the motion to approve the agenda as printed. Motion carried.

2. Approval of Minutes-Minutes of the December 18, 2019 meeting were approved.

II. Consent Agenda: The consent agenda was adopted as presented. Total expenses for bills and payroll for the month of December were $79,616.32.

III. Old Business:

1. Holiday between New Year and Memorial Day. After discussion the board decided not to add another vacation day.

IV. New Business:

1. GAAP waiver Resolution. Shaver moved and Richardson Resolution 2020-1 waiving the requirements of K.S.A. 75-1120a(a) as they apply to the Independence Area Public Library for the year 2020.

V. Staff Reports: Hopkins reported that plans for the children’s library remodel have been revised. She drew a diagram showing where the children’s and teen’s areas have been relocated. She discussed the plan to replace Betsy, youth director, with two part-time (25 hour per week) employees. Custodian hours will be increased and summer intern hours will increase from 9 to 12 hours a week. *There will be an Open House for Open Access on January 30. *Plans are in place to train new employees in positive customer service. Front desk staff will be trained first. *Nancy is in Washington, D.C. being trained for the Holocaust Display. The travel and display are funded by a grant.

VI. Upcoming Events:

Open Access Open House and Ribbon Cutting, January 30 at 5 p.m.
Masquerade Ball Fundraiser, February 8 at 6:30 p.m., Booth Hotel

VII. Comments from Members of the Board:

Torrance encouraged other board members to attend library events.

VIII. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 6:03 p.m. The next regular meeting will be Wednesday, February 19 at 5:15 p.m.

Jana Shaver, Secretary  Date of Approval: ____________