



## Library Advisory Board Meeting

Thursday, June 16, 2022

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12:00 pm

### MINUTES

Members Present: Trevor Pearson, Mary Ann Tempestini, Martha Knuth, Bill Conway, Julie Boam

Members Absent: Liz Allen, Kara Murphy, Ann Rosenthal, Quyen Aoh

Others Present: Deana Cooper, Karen Pierce, Jessica Church, Sheryl Thomas, Nicole Inan

#### 1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 12:10 p.m.

#### 2. Approval of Minutes – April minutes

Minutes were approved by motion of Martha and seconded by Trevor. All aye.

#### 3. Library Reports

a. Library Staff Reports- nothing to report

b. Report of Director

Report of the Director- Karen Pierce

- Personnel updates- New Iroquois Branch Manager- Jessica Stefano beginning 6/27/22. Nicole Inan is the new Business Office Manager. She is present in meeting. This is her second day.
- HACE discussion- We have a vacant Youth Outreach Librarian position for the Housing Authority of the City of Erie(HACE). Birttany Kafferlin vacated the position in May when she accepted a full time Youth Librarian position at Blasco. Discussions are underway with HACE to revisit the needs for the positions and where we see it going.
- Courtney Baran resignation- Courtney is leaving the County to pursue a position with the Hagan History Center. Her position is currently posted. She will be greatly missed.
- Beehive Grant process- the library has received the go ahead to move onto the next step in acquiring another ECGRA grant to fund the Idea Lab by being part of the Beehive Innovation Network. This will sustain the funding for programming in the Idea Lab. These funds will be used for space modification, equipment and supplies along with the extension of the Markerspace Tech. position. In addition to ECGRA, matching funds will be supported by the Friends of the Library, Erie Regional Library Foundation and Erie Insurance.
- Security Guard- New guard on duty(Calvin) at Blasco and we continue to explore options for security.
- HistErie numbers- Julie and Martha inquired about participation data. Jessica supplied data stating over 1700 participants. We plan to continue program next year.
- Neighborhood Arthouse Partnering- Library partnered with Neighborhood Arthouse supply art display of paper cranes that are currently in the Peninsula room at Blasco. These cranes are based off a book stating that if you fold 1000 paper cranes you get a wish. The agreed wish is “Peace in Ukraine.”

- Storytime Success- The library storytimes have been well received. Due to large attendance, additional times are being added for Iroquois and Millcreek.
- Summer Reading- Summer reading kicked off this week. Patrons can sign up virtually online or physically at the library.
- Joy Harjo-Former US Poet Laureate, Joy Harjo will hold a virtual visit on Monday, June 20. Her visit is made possible through the NEA Big Read and contributions from the Friends and the Foundation. See available....
- Millcreek branch Update- Meeting with Bostwick and County of Executive and the end of the month to discuss potential sites. More to com...

c. [Review of Financial Report](#)

ARP Grant was approved through council. These funds will be refunded through OCL. Keystone project for elevators and doors was appropriated by council. They funding was added to the library budget however, it should be a Capital Project. Funds will be re-appropriated in August meeting. Looking to June financials to see where we are at the half mark of the calendar year. County runs a Calendar year. District runs Fiscal.

d. [Statistical and Other Reports](#)

Sheryl reviewed the statistics report and pointed out 365 new cards. June statistics should be a good measure of where we are now with Storytimes, Summer reading and Sunday hours. Nice increase of circulation at all locations, especially Lincoln.

e. [Report of District Consultant](#)

See Agenda for report. In addition, purchasing informed us that new District delivery truck may arrive in late June. Waiver submitted to OCL for funds carryover.

f. [Report of County Council Liaison](#)

None

g. [Report of Friends and ERLF](#)

None

h. [Report from the Friends of the Library](#)

Great American Book Sale- July 10-15 at Flo Fabrizio Ice Center next to the zoo. New Venue. Friends have adopted new logo. Link in chat with new logo...

#### 4. Unfinished Business

a. [Established committees](#)

#### 5. New Business

Motion to adjourn by Julie Boam, seconded by Martha Knuth.12:36p

#### 6. Appendix

a. [Announcements](#)

No Outreach Committee meeting today.