

Marissa Area Public Library District Meeting Minutes

September 9, 2024

President Carol Mercer called the meeting to order at 5:35 pm.

Board Members Present: Carol Mercer, Linda Lea, Mary McCrary, Sue Derwort, Doug White, Kathy Wright. Head Librarian Robin Geraldts was also in attendance.

The board recognized the guests: David Lea, Tiffany Griswold, James Perrine.

Minutes: Doug made a motion to accept the minutes as read. Seconded by Mary. Motion approved unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: Linda will have the report next month. She is waiting for Krehner to check on her work. Linda will check on the CDs and savings account to see if there are better options.

Correspondence: Warren turned in his Letter of Resignation. There was new information concerning the water bill. It can be funded under Safety and Security. Ameren and the window repair will also fall under that funding.

Librarian's Report: Robin told us about the FLiP lunches, the painting classes and the presentation on Israel. We discussed the homeless woman. Robin informed us of the staff's upcoming prejudice training.

Old Business: Robin said she, Linda, and Warren have been talking to our lawyer. They are trying to get the financial reports back in order. They will need to go back at least three years according to the lawyer. The accountant is coming at 9 am Wednesday, September 11, 2024.

Committee Meetings: The Personnel Committee will meet next month. The Budget Committee will meet September 20 at 10 am.

The Personnel Committee is checking on the raises that were discussed at an earlier meeting and whether they were voted into effect.

Kathy moved that we table the discussion on salary increases until a special meeting can be held Wednesday, September 11th at 12:45. Sue seconded. The special meeting will be to propose salary increases. Those planning to attend are Kathy, Carol and Linda.

We discussed the upcoming election with openings for Sue, Mary, Linda and Kathy's positions. Sue and Mary are not planning to run. James, Tiffany and David plan to file petitions to run for those positions.

Ordinance: Our ordinance should be based on our budget. It must be approved tonight. Sue moved that we accept the Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance. Seconded by Kathy. Motion carried.

Carol adjourned the meeting at 6:45 pm. The motion was approved.

Sue Derwort