

GENESEE DISTRICT LIBRARY BOARD MEETING
At
Genesee District Library Headquarters
5:30 p.m.
4195 West Pasadena Avenue
Flint, MI 48504
November 19, 2018
Minutes

- Call to Order: 5:30 p.m.
Present: Bennett, Crites, Delaney, Ryals-Massey and Towarnicky.
Also Present: C. Stritmatter (Corporation Counsel), D. Conklin and A. Goldyn.
Absent: Armstrong, Conerly-Moon, and Jones.
Public Comments: None.
Approval of Consent Agenda: J. Towarnicky moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Motion supported by S. Bennett. Motion carried unanimously.
Board Development: Nothing to report.
MMLC: Nothing to report.
Corporation Counsel: C. Stritmatter stated that a hearing will be held in December on the Summary of Disposition.
GDL Foundation: Nothing to report.
Written Reports: L. Ryals-Massey offered kudos to the team. She also inquired about the fire inspection at the Grand Blanc location. D. Conklin stated items within our control have been addressed by our staff and others have been turned over to the building authority.
L. Ryals-Massey inquired if the lock-box at Montrose should be put into another locked box. D. Conklin stated that he is considering putting it in a locked drawer even though the area is now under video surveillance.
L. Ryals-Massey was happy to see that the village of Gaines is happy to have some hours added during the week.
L. Ryals-Massey inquired how many people attended the coding and 3-D printing workshops. D. Conklin stated he will find out and get back to her. J. Towarnicky inquired if these programs will be available at other branches. D. Conklin stated that is the intent; however, space is always a concern in the branches. J. Towarnicky would like to have a staff member direct kids to particular websites so they can do self-guided coding to get the ball rolling.
Monthly Statistics: R. Crites inquired about the decrease on database usage. D. Conklin stated that he has previously reported that the way the usage was tracked in the past has changed. He stated that unfortunately it won't be until after a full year passes after the change that we can get a true comparison on the usage.

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- Finance Committee: R. Crites stated that a meeting was held at 4:30 pm today to review the 2019 budget.
- Marketing Committee: Nothing to report.
- Personnel Committee: L. Ryals-Massey stated that it is time for the Director's evaluation. She stated that the evaluation forms will be emailed out the Friday after Thanksgiving and asked that everyone please respond by the deadline.
- Policy Committee: Nothing to report.
- 2019 Budget: R. Crites moved to approve the budget as presented. Motion supported by S. Bennett. L. Ryals-Massey inquired about the budget item labeled longevity. A. Goldyn explained that it was a separate pay scale for union employees based upon the number of years with GDL. L. Ryals-Massey stated she noticed an increase in digital materials and a decrease in print materials. S. Bennett stated that A. Goldyn did a great job putting the budget together and explaining everything thoroughly. Motion carried unanimously. A. Goldyn thanked the board for approving the budget.
- Vehicle Replacement Purchase: D. Conklin stated that it is time to replace the library's 2002 Chevy Tahoe and D. McGuire has priced out several possible replacement vehicles. D. Conklin stated that he would recommend the Chrysler Pacifica due to the amount of cargo space available and the back seats fold into the floor. J. Towarnicky doesn't believe we're comparing apples to apples on these vehicles on the list and does not support buying a non-GM vehicle. She continued to say that she would like to see other GM vehicles on the list. R. Crites moved to accept the recommendation to purchase the Pacifica. Motion supported by S. Bennett. Roll call: Bennett, Crites, Delaney, and Ryals-Massey; nays – Towarnicky. Motion failed. D. Conklin stated that another recommendation will be brought forward at the December meeting.
- Board Comments: S. Bennett thanked W. Delaney for his email with pictures of different libraries around the world.
- J. Towarnicky stated she would like to discuss future meeting schedules to possibly change it to quarterly meetings. W. Delaney stated that it can be placed on next month's agenda to discuss further.
- Adjournment: R. Crites moved to adjourn at 5:55 p.m. Motion supported by L. Ryals-Massey. Motion carried unanimously.