

DIRECTOR  
Jenny Marr

BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
Judeen Bartos  
Meghan Evoy  
Kelly Farrah  
Adrienne Fazzolara  
Amanda Hanlin  
Erin Hooper  
Kevin Yezbick



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## Library Board Meeting

### Approved Minutes

Aug 10, 2023 - 6:30 PM

### Board Meeting

1. Call to order: Meeting called to order by Judeen Bartos at 6:31PM.
2. Roll call: Judeen Bartos, Meghan Evoy, Kelly Farrah, Erin Hooper, Kevin Yezbick. Adrienne Fazzolara and Amanda Hanlin absent with notice. Director Jenny Marr and Assistant Director/Recording Secretary Jordan Wright also present.
3. Approval of agenda  
**A MOTION by Evoy and seconded by Farrah to approve the agenda as presented;** passed unanimously
4. Public Comment – *Total time not to exceed 30 minutes, 3 minutes per speaker*
5. Minutes: Approve July 20, 2023 **regular** meeting  
**A MOTION by Yezbick and seconded by Farrah to approve the July 20, 2023 regular meeting minutes as presented;** passed unanimously  
Minutes: Approve July 20, 2023 **closed** session  
**A MOTION by Yezbick and seconded by Hooper to approve the July 20, 2023 closed session minutes as presented;** passed unanimously
6. Director's Report: Jenny Marr  
Physical and digital circulation increased for the month of July. If e-book circulation stays high it could have budget implications in the future. The earnings for the Friend's bookstore are up as well. The library's TikTok now has over 5,000 followers. The print mailer will be arriving to residents in September --this is the first year we'll be doing four per year. The Summer Reading finale is Saturday in the library's courtyard. The library is still seeking approval from the City of Ferndale for the courtyard improvements.
7. Library Advocacy – informational only  
Director Marr is the chair of the Michigan Library Association's Advocacy Group. The state of Michigan offers capital improvement grants for libraries – Marr will look into whether or not these would be an option for the courtyard project. Informational materials were provided to the board on how to better advocate for libraries. MLA has asked the legislature to include public libraries in a proposed bill that would ban firearms in public spaces. Marr provided information on the upcoming legislative sessions and the upcoming primaries in February
8. ISCG Proposal for office reconfiguration  
With the recent staff promotions, the current office space needs to be reconfigured. Director Marr asks for an initial budget not to exceed \$15,000.  
**A MOTION by Evoy and seconded by Hooper to approve the staff area reconfiguration with a total not to exceed \$15,000, with oversight by the finance committee**
9. Acceptance of expenditures and finance reports for the month of July  
**A MOTION by Yezbick and seconded by Farrah to accept the expenditures and finance reports for the month of July;** passed unanimously
10. Board Calendar of Events

**11. Committee reports**

**A. Art & Exhibitions – Erin**

Update provided in supporting documents.

**B. Friends of the FPL – Kelly**

The Friends meeting is next week.

**C. Equity, Diversity and Inclusion – Amanda**

No report.

**D. Finance – Judeen and Kevin**

No report.

**E. Personnel – Adrienne**

No report.

**F. Schools – Evoy**

Everett Pine, Head of Youth Services provided Evoy with a report of August's outreach to Ferndale Schools.

**12. Committee membership appointments as needed**

None.

**13. Review action items**

None.

**14. Announcements/comments from board members**

Yezbick looks forward to Saturday's SRP finale. Evoy participated in the Ferndale Project book club, reports that the crowd was large and the discussion was great, and reports that Jeff Milo did an outstanding job leading the book club.

**15. \*\*\*Closed Session to be convened –** For strategy and negotiation sessions connected with the negotiation of a collective bargaining agreement if either negotiating party requests a closed hearing, in accordance with Sec. 8(1)(c) of the Open Meetings Act (OMA) MCL 15.268.

**A MOTION by Evoy and seconded by Hooper to enter a closed session at 7:04PM.**

Roll call vote:

Yes: Bartos, Evoy, Farrah, Hooper, Yezbick

No: 0

Return from closed session at 9:20PM

**13. Adjourn**

**A MOTION by Yezbick and seconded by Evoy to adjourn at 9:21PM; passed unanimously**

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