Minutes of Board of Trustees  
Johnsburg Public Library  
Tuesday, April 11, 2023

Call to Order:  
The Board Meeting was called to order by President M. Diedrich at 6:51 p.m.  
Trustees present:  M. Diedrich, C. Pitzen, K. Liston, J. Stockwell, M. Hascup  
Absentee:  L. Dohrn, S. Reitz  
Director B. Ryan was present

Public Comments:  
None.

Approval of Minutes:  
Motion was made by J. Stockwell and seconded by K. Liston to approve the amended meeting minutes of March 14, 2023.  
Ayes:  C. Pitzen, K. Liston, J. Stockwell, M. Hascup, M. Diedrich  
Abstain:  None  
Motion passed

Approval of Bills:  
Motion was made by M. Hascup and seconded by C. Pitzen to approve as amended the payment of bills in the amount $57,914.70 for April 11, 2023.  
Ayes:  C. Pitzen, K. Liston, J. Stockwell, M. Hascup, M. Diedrich  
Motion passed

Treasurer’s Financial Report:  
Trustees reviewed the FY Year 2022-2023 March 31, 2023 Financial reports.

Committee Reports:  
None

Correspondence:  
1.  Tax Income FY2023:  
   Trustees review the Tax Income FY2023 for this year which has increased by $34,509.31.  
2.  Preliminary IMRF Rate Notice FY2023:  
   Board Deferring this until next month.

Unfinished Business:  
None

New Business:  
1.  Preliminary Budget Discussions:  
   a.  Beth went over the new Preliminary Budget.  Trustees reviewed the preliminary budget as well as salaries.  More in depth review will come once budget is complete.  
   b.  Beth also informed the Board of a future plan to work with a Financial Planner to invest the carry over funds to go into an account which will give us a possible $10K to $15K increase by
end of each year. The firm is called Meristem Financial. Beth to give us more information going forward.

c. Beth also is stopping the collections for now. Most of the cost is on the library and ROI tends to be very low.

**Director’s Report:**

1. **Programming Presented in March:**
   - Book Subscription Bags
   - Book Page Flowers Take Home Craft
   - Cut and Paste Journal
   - Dog Towel Craft
   - Great Train Rescue
   - Little Minis
   - Scavenger Hunt
   - Take and Make Crafts for kids
   - Journal Sparks
   - Milk Jug Seed Starting
   - Quilt Club
   - Common Threads
   - Photo Club
   - Adult Book Club
   - Gentle Morning Yoga
   - Illinois Libraries Present author Mary Roach
   - Monday Movie Matinees
   - Creative Writing Club

2. **Staff Meetings, Trainings and Continuing Education**
   - Beth attended McHenry County Directors meeting on Friday, March 17 at the Harvard Diggins Public Library.
   - Beth attended the PrairieCat Delegates meeting on April 7 at the Bourbonnais Public Library.
   - Devin and Julie S. attended the Illinois Youth Services Institute Conference in Normal, IL on March 16th and 17th and came back inspired.
   - Julie S. participated in a webinar on increasing circulation for youth non-fiction and we have some new ideas to try.

3. **Library Lover’s Expedition 2023 Update**
   - The Library Lovers Expedition total participation number was 1824 county-wide compared to 700 last year. 42 Johnsburg card holders participated.

4. **Family Expo at JES**
   - Beth and Julie S. had a table at the Family Expo on March 23. This was the first year they’ve had this event. It was pretty well attended-I think mostly by families of students at the school-but we feel it was a very worthwhile outing.
Statistics

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** Due to a system “upgrade” we were unable to extrapolate any wifi stats this month

**Board Input:**
None

**Adjournment:**
Motion to adjourn was made by J. Stockwell and seconded by K. Liston.
Ayes: C. Pitzen, K. Liston, J. Stockwell, M. Hascup, M. Diedrich
Motion passed.
Meeting was adjourned by President, M. Diedrich at 7:39 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Marjorie Hascup