APPROVED

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CHIPPEWA RIVER DISTRICT LIBRARY August 16, 2022

<u>Members present</u> were Chair T. Delia, R. Helwig, C. Doyle, K. Mora, R. Barrett, E. Freling; Director C. Friedrich

Members absent were D. Clark, L. Laskowsky

T. Delia called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

AGENDA APPROVAL

R. Barrett moved to approve the agenda of August 16, 2022 as amended. Motion seconded by E. Freling. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

R. Helwig moved to approve the minutes of the June 21, 2022 meeting. Motion seconded by C. Doyle. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The check disbursements and financial statement for June & July 2022 were discussed and placed on file.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments received or offered.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Corey Friedrich reported on the following:

- Circulation stats VML & SCL were up, the rest of the branches were down in June.
- Programming –The Summer Reading Club dominated all the summer programming.
- Computer stats The use of computers at the library continues to rise with a 90% increase over last year for the same period.
- We are working on a new mobile site for the library.
- Stamps and envelopes are now being sold at the Help Desk at VML.
- There are possible changes coming to the Open Meetings Act to allow more remote attendance at meetings.
- State Aid to libraries increase by \$500,000 in the last State budget.
- We received an anonymous \$5,000 unrestricted donation for the library.
- VML has a new photocopier with more capabilities than our last one.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance and facilities –

- R. Barrett moved to appoint Kristin Ellison as the officer delegate representing the library at the 2022 MERS annual conference in September. Motion seconded by E. Freling. Motion passed.
- We received two bids for the new A/C unit for VML. The bids were discussed but no action was taken until answers to a few additional questions can be answered by the bidders.
- The roof leak at the Tate Memorial Library needs immediate attention and we are working with a roofer to make that happen.
- A repair is upcoming to a set of exterior doors to VML. They haven't been closing correctly and new hinges seem to be the solution.
- The A/C at the Faith Johnston Memorial Library has needed attention from a professional twice this summer, but seems to be functioning properly now.

Personnel and Policy –

- R. Helwig moved to accept the Notary Public Policy (No. 105) as reviewed. Motion seconded by C. Doyle. Motion passed.
- R. Helwig moved to accept the Public Participation at Board Meetings Policy (No. 304) as amended. Motion seconded by K. Mora. Motion passed.

Art –

• We have received the offer a few paintings by a local artist. The committee is in the process of evaluating the paintings.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARIES UPDATE

R. Helwig reported that the Friends were recently at the library to sort through the book donations in preparation for a book sale.

ADJOURNMENT

T. Delia adjourned the meeting at 6:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Corey Friedrich, Library Director