Maitland Public Library Board of Trustees

Wednesday, December 18, 2024 7:30 pm



ATTENDANCE: The following members were present: Ms. Marilyn Sandoz, Vice President; Ms. Maria Hannon, Secretary; Mr. Andrew Harrison, Treasurer; Mr. Bob Allen, Chair; Mr. Frank Allen, Trustee; Mr. Dave Baker, Trustee; Ms. Erin Baker, Trustee; Ms. Patti Brennan, Trustee; Dr. Scot French, Trustee; Ms. Mary-Jeanine Ibarguen, Trustee; Mr. Kay Yeuell, Trustee;

- The following members were present via Zoom: Ms. Liz Doyle, Trustee; Ms. Cari Rotenberger, Trustee:
- Staff Present: Ms. Stacie Larson, Director; Ms. Jenn Bishop, Executive Assistant
- Staff present via Zoom: 0
- The following members were excused: Dr. Steve Lee, President; Ms. Kristen Johnson, Vice Chair; Ms. Laurie Fuller, Trustee
- The following members were not present or excused: 0
- Members of the public attending: 4

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:30 PM by Mr. B. Allen

HBM Architects delivered an informational presentation regarding the new building, via Zoom, for the Board. City manager Mark Reggentin was present.

Consent Agenda: With no questions or concerns, all items on the Consent Agenda were accepted.

FRIENDS REPORT: Ms. Sandoz reported the FoL are receiving a lot of donations lately. They have found another venue to accept extra books. It is time to renew FoL memberships.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT was verbal this month. Highlights were shared by Ms. Larson:

- Holiday Heatwave was replaced with a 'Yeti or Not' Party, featuring the movie Abominable.
- Get Down Downtown was successful with a lot of outreach
- A LA was recently let go. This position will be filled after the holidays
- Ms. Burgos is still on leave will return after the holidays
- Ms. Boyer received a glowing review via Facebook Messenger
- The Walden School provided the art for the month
- The Next Chapter Book Club is doing extremely well. This is for readers with disabilities. 13 attended the first meeting, 16 attended the following meeting.
- Kids attendance has been thinner, but still doing well.
- A color scheme for the new building has been chosen
- Thank you to those who volunteered during the Staff In-Service Day

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: With no meetings held this month and all positions being filled, Mr. F. Allen had nothing to report for the month.

FINANCE: Mr. Harrison reported that the Finance Committee had nothing to report for the month.

CONSTRUCTION: An update was provided in the HBM Architects presentation

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Old Business:

- 5k Because she previously showed interest in this, Mr. B. Allen tasked Ms. E. Baker to present a pros/cons/costs list if the Board, not staff, were to host a 5k run. Ideas will be presented at the January meeting.
- Bricks Because she previously showed interest in this, Mr. B. Allen tasked Ms. Ibarguen to present a
 plan for a legacy brick program for the new building. Ms. Larson informed Ms. Ibarguen that she will
 need to speak with the Parks Dept regarding this. Ideas will be presented at the January meeting.

Public Period: Mr. B. Allen opened the Public Period. There being no one who wished to be heard, Mr. B. Allen closed the Public Period.

Discussion:

No items were presented for discussion at this time.

Decision:

Bereavement Policy - Ms. Larson presented a change to the current bereavement policy. After much discussion and many failed motions, Mr. D. Baker motioned the Board to table this discussion until the January meeting. This was seconded by Ms. Hannon and passed unanimously by all in attendance.

Good of the Order -

- Mr. B. Allen thanked Ms. Larson on behalf of the Board for the gift of her legendary homemade fudge.
- Ms. Donnelly, an LA, sent a thank you card to the Board for the gift card she received. It was read aloud by Ms. Hannon.
- Mr. Harrison informed the Board that Councilwoman Wurtzel will not renew position on City Council. There are 2 seats open, with petitions available beginning January 6th.
 - Dates to Remember
 - Closed Tuesday, December 24, 2024, all day; Wednesday, December 25, 2024, all day; Tuesday, December 31, 2024, at 2:00 pm; and Wednesday, January 1, 2025, all day.
 - Next Meeting: Wednesday, January 15, 2025, 7:30pm

MEETING ADJOURNED: A motion was made by Ms. Hannon at 9:14 pm to end the meeting. This was seconded by Ms. Brennan, and accepted unanimously by all members in attendance. Minutes submitted by Maria Hannon, secretary