

## Ephrata Public Library Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, December 15, 2022

6:00 p.m.

The Ephrata Public Library is a physical and virtual community center. Its mission is to provide resources and to promote opportunities for everyone seeking to improve, change, enrich, and enjoy their lives. The library offers free access to information reflecting differing viewpoints in order to support an open and democratic society.

Members Present: Mike Eichenlaub, Jobany Bedoya, Kristin Carter, Marilyn Yoder, Brian Frey, Linda Suarez Baer, Eric Nissley, Danielle Shumate

Staff Present: Penny Talbert, Barb Brock

1. Call to Order – Mr. Eichenlaub, Board President, called the meeting to order at 6: 00 pm.
2. Instructions/Attendance – please keep public comment brief  
Visitors in attendance:  
Robyn Hodgson – Akron, Pa  
Thomas Reinhold – Ephrata, Pa  
Kleon Zimmerman- Akron, Pa  
Ryan Cochran- Akron, Pa  
Steve and Nancy Aronson – Ephrata, Pa  
Linda Martin – Ephrata, Pa
3. Public Comment  
Visitors –  
Linda Martin – VP Ephrata Borough Council and Member of Mainspring expressing concerns regarding the Board President’s social media posts, questioning social media policies.  
  
Ryan Cochran – Akron Borough Council, bringing into question minutes from October 10 regarding the Executive Director’s explanation of the use of room rental at the library asking for clarification if the library solely acts as a host.
4. Secretary’s Report (presented by Kristin Carter)
  - a. **Motion:** Approval of the November 17, 2022, Board Minutes (Dropbox). Upon a motion by Linda Suarez Baer and seconded by Brian Frey, the November 17, 2022, Board Minutes were approved.

5. Treasurer's Report as November 30, 2022 (Presented by Marilyn Yoder)  
Financial Reports are available in Dropbox.

YTD Total Income - \$ 1,098,837    110.37 % of Budget  
YTD Total Expenses - \$1,160,069    115.25% of Budget  
YTD Net Income – **(\$61,321)**

November 2022 Total Income – \$43,168  
November 2022 Expenses – \$95,069  
November 2022 Net Ordinary Income – **(\$51,928)**

6. Director's Report (Presented by Ms. Talbert)  
Director's Report is available in Dropbox. Additional information appears below:  
a. No additional items to report

#### SPOTLIGHT

- Charlie Cart Demonstration
- Pennworthy Stay Sharp Memory Kits
- Adult Board Game Circulation

#### 7. Committee Reports

- Human Resources –
  - None
- Funding and Finance – (Presented by Linda Suarez Baer)  
Committee met on Tuesday, December 13, 2022
  - Financial reports from previous months were reviewed and discussed
  - The committee reviewed the draft of the 2023 Budget.
  - Another Funding and Finance meeting has been scheduled for Monday, December 19 to finalize a budget to present to the board

#### 8. Old Business

- a. None

#### 9. New Business

- a. None

10. Executive Session – No

11. President’s Message –Thank you Linda Suarez Baer for your service to the board!

Merry Christmas everyone!!

12. Adjournment - Upon a motion to adjourn the December 15, 2022 Board meeting by Jobany Bedoya and seconded by Linda Suarez Baer, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 PM.

The next Board meeting has been scheduled for January 19, 2023 at 6:00 PM in the Conference Room at the Ephrata Public Library.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kristin Carter, Secretary