Ephrata Public Library Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, February 16, 2023

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, Brian Frey, Kristin Carter, Marilyn Yoder, Danielle Shumate, Eric Nissley, Nancy Aronson, Deborah Fast

Staff Present: Penny Talbert, Rebecca Zinner, Barb Brock

- 1. Call to Order Mr. Eichenlaub, Board President, called the meeting to order at 6: 00 pm.
- 2. Introductions/Attendance

Special Guest Presentation: Christi Buker, Executive Director, Pennsylvania Library Association

- Explanation of nonprofit libraries, Pennsylvania state library code and the role of municipalities.
- Discussion of statutes and regulations for nonprofit libraries

Visitor – Ed Miller, Christi Buker

- 3. Secretary's Report
 - a. **Motion**: Approval of the January 19, 2023, Board Minutes. Upon a motion by Marilyn Yoder and seconded by Jobany Bedoya, the January 19, 2023, Board Minutes were approved by majority with one nay.
- 4. Treasurer's Report as of January 31, 2023 (Presented by Brian Frey) Financial Reports are available in Dropbox.

YTD Total Income - \$ 282,987 27.77% of Budget
YTD Total Expenses - \$ 129,550 10.84% of Budget
YTD Net Income - \$153,437

January 2023 Total Income – \$282,987 January 2023 Expenses – \$129,550 January 2023 Net Ordinary Income – \$153,437 5. Director's Report (Presented by Penny Talbert)

Director's Report is available in Sharepoint. Additional information appears below:

a. No additional items

SPOTLIGHT

Stat sheet of information collected to help to create the annual report.

- 6. Committee Reports
 - a. Human Resources (Presented by Kristin Carter)
 - None
 - b. Funding and Finance (Presented by Brian Frey) Committee met on Tuesday, February 14, 2023.
 - Signers of the Northwest Bank Account will be discussed in new business.
 - Cultural arts grants were posted, and we received \$3300. The largest amount
 of any organization received from the Borough this year.
- 7. Old Business
 - a. None
- 8. New Business
 - a. Northwest Bank Account Signers

Motion: Designate the Executive Director Penny Talbert and Assistant Director Abigail Kirchoff to be signers on the Northwest accounts. Motion made by Eric Nissley and seconded by Nancy Aronson.

- 9. Executive Session Yes
- 10. President's Message –

Thank you for serving on the board. We love the library!

11. Adjournment - Upon a motion to adjourn the February 16, 2023, Board meeting by Kristin Carter and seconded by Jobany Bedoya, the meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM.

The next Board meeting has been scheduled for March 16, 2023, at 6:00 PM. The meeting will be held in the Library Board Room.

Respectfully Submitted, Kristin Carter, Secretary