

**Board of Trustees Meeting
February 15, 2022**

The Knoxville Public Library Board of Trustees met at the library at 4:00 PM on Tuesday, Feb. 15, 2022. Members present were Bob Leonard, Harv Sprafka, Erin McBride, Dave Johnson, and Lindsey Carlson. Pending council approval on Feb. 21, new board member, Janet Evans, was also present. Scott Ziller was absent.

The meeting was called to order by Lindsey Carlson. Sprafka moved, Johnson seconded to approve the minutes of the January 18, 2022 meeting as mailed. Motion passed unanimously. McBride moved, Johnson seconded to approve the minutes of the special meeting on Feb. 7, 2022. Motion passed.

Roslin gave the monthly report for January. Total circulation was 3,602 physical items and 1,056 downloadable items. Computer usage for the month was 311 with 615 recorded uses of the wireless. There were a total number of 1,619 visits to the library, an average of 77 visitors a day.

The library is offering more in-person programming. Chess Club for grades 3 – 6 has been very busy and well-attended. Author visits by Larry Baker and Beth Hoffman have been well-received. DIY and the International Film Fan Club continue to meet and have good attendance.

Budget presentations to the city and the board of supervisors continue. The State Library, ILA, and IASL are offering on-line training sessions on intellectual freedom and dealing with challenges.

Under Media Strategy Plan, the March calendar will be published in a week and all activities announced. The Knoxville Art Project proposals are due on Feb. 18.

Dave Johnson moved, Erin McBride seconded that the financial report for January be approved. Motion was unanimous. Harv Sprafka moved, Bob Leonard seconded the city trust report for January be accepted. Motion was unanimous. Dave Johnson moved, Harv Sprafka seconded the approval for payment of bills for February. Motion passed unanimously, and a copy is attached to the minutes.

Under Unfinished Business, the board discussed the long term maintenance and upkeep of the Gebhardt house. The board will reach out to interested parties and stakeholders regarding potential partnerships and/or funding sources. Estimates to repair or renovate the house cost \$250,000 or more.

Under New Business, Scott Ziller was nominated to be the Vice-President of the board. Bob Leonard moved, seconded by Erin McBride to approve the proposed budget FY2023 as presented by the budget committee. Motion passed.

Due to scheduling conflicts, the board meeting for March was moved to March 22 at 4:00 P.M. Meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Roslin Thompson, secretary