

**JORDAN BRAMLEY LIBRARY  
NINETY SIXTH ANNUAL MEETING  
And Combined Regular February Meeting  
6:30 p.m. in the Community Room**

**MINUTES**

**Welcome, Call to Order and Roll Call of Members**

**Meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm.**

Present: Richardson, Kraus, Johnson, Bader, Czarnecki, Sullivan, Byrnes, Drummond

Attendees: Vern Richardson, Ken Bush Jr, Ken Bush III, Anna Carlson, Karen White, Judy Strauss, Julie Clark

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Adoption of Agenda**

Motion made to accept the agenda made by Sullivan, and seconded by Johnson. The vote was unanimous to adopt agenda.

**Election of Officers**

Presented for election to one-year terms are:

- President – Janette Richardson
- Vice Presidents – Carl Kraus
- Secretary – Loretta Johnson
- Treasurer – Janette Richardson until such time another member can be appointed.

Discussion: none

Motion was made by Sullivan and seconded by Bader to accept the slate of officers as presented and to make the necessary appointments when the time comes.

Unanimous vote by: Richardson, Kraus, Johnson, Bader, Czarnecki, Sullivan

**Correspondence:** none

**President's Message:** See attached for full report. Summary: last year we accepted, bonded, and learned to work with new Board members. Linda, our library director, increased library usage and was a wonderful liaison to the school district. The Friends of the library worked above and beyond to bring in extra funds to improve our library. As a result, we were able to increase programming and purchase more books. We look forward to next next year's challenges!

**2018 Minutes of the Annual Meeting:** Read and noted.

**2018 Director's Report:** Read and noted.

**2018 Treasurer's Report:** Julie shared the figures for the library budget. See attached. We are in good fiscal shape.

**2018 Memorial Fund Report:** no report.

**2018 Friends of the Library Report:** Read and noted. See attached

Motion to accept the 2018 Annual Minutes, Director, Treasurer, and Friends reports made by Sullivan and seconded by Bader.

Unanimous vote by: Richardson, Kraus, Johnson, Bader, Czarnecki, Sullivan

**Presentation, Discussion and Vote of 2019 Budget**

Discussion: The community will vote on the library budget in May. We have asked for a \$5,000 increase to cover mandated increased wages. The vote to exceed the 2% mandated budget cap was tabled for another meeting. Motion made by Richardson and seconded by Kraus to accept the 2019 budget. Unanimous vote by: Richardson, Kraus, Johnson, Bader, Czarnecki, Sullivan

## **OLD BUSINESS**

2018 Highlights:

The Board brainstormed ideas about the future of the library building. We invited experts to discuss updating our old library building to accommodate new library activities. Our main goal was to decide whether to repair and expand the existing building or rebuild on another site. We realized that we need discussions with our patrons to make a good decision.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

2019 Strategic Planning:

This year we will plan to meet with our stakeholders to get their input about the future of the library building.

## **TIME FOR PUBLIC EXPRESSION**

**Vern Richardson:** is very willing to support our efforts to improve the library.

**Ken Bush jr:** There are changes happening at the Central Library. They are searching for a new director. Central is only 50% staffed at present. Services are concentrated in the urban areas. We are hopeful that services will be spread out more.

**Anna Carlson:** is interested in joining the Board. Feels that we should be enhancing our library and avoid stagnating. She is interested in expanding library services. She suggests that we design large display cabinets so we can bring out historical items for the public to view. Anna does publishing and marketing. She can help us with marketing, publishing, and updating our website.

**Ken Bush III:** Shared with us the possibility of having Amazon Office relocate to Upstate New York. Represents us for library funding from the State.

**Judy Strauss:** It is important to help community members to look past what a library has been in the past and what they think a library is and look forward to how we can design our library for future activities. What can the library do for the community in the future?

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

**Next Meeting:** March 18, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

**Adjourned at 8pm**