

November 18, 2024

Our Mission: to be the community hub connecting our patrons to the world.

Jordan Bramley Library Board of Trustees

Monday November 18, 2024

Monthly Meeting

Start Time: 6:02 pm

Attendance: T. Sullivan, A. Ryan, M. Smart, S. MacDowall, J. Bachmann, L. Byrnes, C. Crews,
P. McCarthy Absent: C. Barber, D. Cassick, J. Clark

Guests: Maureen Doyle, Brad Hamer, Rob Meixner, Dick Strauss

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

A discussion took place between the members of the Jordan Community Council (B. Hamer, R. Meixner, and D. Strauss) and the Library Trustees in regards to how/what the Jordan Community Council would reimburse the library for each year. It was agreed the "gentlemen's agreement" that has existed between the two entities needs to be put in writing. The Jordan Community Council members present agreed to pay 35% of the library's heating, lighting, maintenance (cleaning), and insurance; and would entertain other expenses if the trustee board provided them with specific needs (renovations/replacement costs) if the JCC had the funding available to help. The JCC also agreed to review programming cost requests from the library. The library board agreed to respond to the JCC's letter, denying several cost requests.

Maureen Doyle asked the board if she can upgrade the Clifford memorial plaque using her personal funds. She would bring forth the plans for the upgrade when she has them. Tim stated we would get back to her on it.

Director's, Secretary's, Treasurer's Reports

The Treasurer's Report was postponed. Julianna gave her Director's Report. The highlights included participating in the Middle School Book Fair. The library had a table with sign-ups for library cards. Julianna also stated she had a conversation with the JEDI principal and both agreed to work more together in the future. Ashley R. stated she was at the book fair with her children and it was wonderful. Catherine C. asked if she could post on the library's website. Tim stated all posting must have approval from the director. Tim asked if the library has a budget yet for next year so we could have a dollar amount to ask the school district to put on the budget line for May, 2025.

A motion was made to accept the Director's Report: M. Smart; 2nd: S. MacDowall

Vote: 7-0, motion carried

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Trustees read silently the minutes from the last meeting with no discussion.

A motion was made to accept the October meeting minutes: P. McCarthy; 2nd: A. Ryan

Vote: 7-0, motion carried

Agenda 1

Tim will begin work on the response letter. Though no formal vote was taken, there were mixed opinions as to whether the library trustees should continue to bring used books to the Fall Festival for sale while manning the book tent with all the profits going to the JCC. It is noted that the library typically receives the same amount from the JCC as they take in from the book sale.

Agenda 2

After a brief discussion to restate last month's resolutions, the board voted on the following:

A motion was made to: 1) stay open on Columbus Day and Juneteenth with educational displays for each holiday. 2) Move board meeting days to the 3rd Wednesday of each month beginning January, 2025. 3) Keep the library open on school snow days at the discretion of the Director: P. McCarthy; 2nd: M. Smart Vote: 6-1, motion carried.

Agenda 3

The dates and times for the Christmas in the Village/Holiday Celebration were reiterated:

Christmas in the Village: November 30th the library will be open 12-3pm.

Holiday Celebration: December 11th at the library from 6-8pm, please arrive by 5:30

The Community Band will perform and the Historical Society will be open.

Agenda 4

Libraries Transforming Communities: Accessible Small and Rural Communities. Mindy checked and when we replace the front door, it must be ADA compliant. Stew stated we would also have to replace the interior door into the library. He will look into pricing. Julianna will work on submitting a grant.

Agenda 5

Five Year Plan - Library Interior: a brief discussion ensued about painting the entryway a different color and contacting Interior Designs company in the village for some assistance/advice to update the library interior.

Around the Table

I profusely apologize! My pencil tip broke as the rapid fire responses ensued and I was unable to record this portion of the meeting!

A motion to adjourn the meeting: A. Ryan; 2nd: S. MacDowall. Vote: 7-0, motion carried

Meeting adjourned at: 8:05 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Mindy Smart,
Secretary

