

Meeting Minutes of the Board of Trustees of the Baright Public Library
Date November 16, 2023 Baright Public Library

Attendees: Amanda Peña (Library Director), Melanie Bloom (Trustee), Maureen Konwinski (Trustee), Sharon Medina (Trustee), Jim O'Donnell (Trustee), Edie Vaughn (Trustee).

Call to order. Meeting called to order by Melanie Bloom at 6:31 pm.

- 1) **Acknowledgment of the Open Meeting Law.** “This meeting is subject to the Nebraska Open Meetings Act. A copy of that Act is posted on the Baright Public Library website”. Read by Melanie Bloom.
- 2) **Agenda Approval.** Maureen Konwinski made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Jim O'Donnell. The motion passed with the following trustees voting aye: Melanie Bloom, Jim O'Donnell, Maureen Konwinski, Sharon Medina, Edie Vaughn.
- 3) **Approve minutes.** Maureen Konwinski moved to approve the minutes from the last board meeting; Edie Vaughn seconded. The motion passed with the following trustees voting aye: Melanie Bloom, Jim O'Donnell, Maureen Konwinski, Sharon Medina, Edie Vaughn.
- 4) **Financial Report.** The board reviewed the financial report from October, 2023. There were no unusual expenses.
- 5) **Statistical Report.** The board reviewed the statistical report from October 2023. Generally speaking, there was an increase in circulation numbers from September to October, and a slight increase in library visitors.
- 6) **Strategic Plan Report.**
Library Services
 1. *Provide educational and institutional support to the community for those lacking financial stability:*
 - a. For September, Library Card Sign-Up month was a hit with the new Grogue library cards.
 - b. For the Acrylic Painting after Hours program for adults, it was decided to continue the program the first week of the month going forward.
 - c. Library renewed the memberships for another year of Cultural Passes. Library members can check-out a pass to the Children's Museum, Durham Museum, Fontenelle Forest, and the Lauritzen Gardens for free.
 2. *Assist an aging population with appropriate services and programs*
 3. *Encourage a strong Ralston economy through promotion of Ralston as a place to live and do business.*
- 7) **Technology:**
None
- 8) **Staff Development:**
Interviews for the Youth Services Librarian have concluded. Jailyn Hagaman was hired for the Youth Serviced Library, starting November 6th.
- 9) **Building Maintenance Report:**
None

10) **Foundation Reports:**

The Foundation did meet October 10, adding 2 new members. The foundation plans to start recruiting for new members.

11) **Old Business:**

a. A review of Chapter 4 Policy, sections, 1, 3, and 4. Motion to approve: Edie Vaughn, seconded by Sharon Medina. Voting aye: Sharon Medina, Jim O'Donnell, and Edie Vaughn.

12) **Unfinished Business:**

None

13) **New Business**

Election of Officers. No change in positions.

14) **Public Comments.** No comment.

15) **Announcements.**

Next meeting on January 18, 2024

16) **Adjournment.** Sharon Medina moved to adjourn the meeting; Jim O'Donnell seconded. The motion passed with the following trustees voting aye:

Melanie Bloom, Maureen Konwinski, Sharon Medina, Jim O'Donnell, Edie Vaughn. Meeting adjourned at 7:07 pm.