

Oscar Grady Library Board Meeting Minutes

March 12 2019

Members & Guests Present

Present: Kris Becker, Joe Caban, Jen Gerber, Kay Hamann, Mary Jo Hansen, Sonia Lear, Heidi Rettler, Sandy Schulz, Marcella Wilde.
Guests: Dan Benson, Reporter, The Ozaukee Press.

1) Call to Order

Sonia Lear called the meeting of the Oscar Grady Library Board to order at 6:00P.

2) Statement of Public Notice

The Statement of Public Notice was properly posted.

3) Citizen Comments

None.

4) Approval of Minutes from Prior Meetings

The minutes of the January 8, 2019 meeting were approved as submitted.

5) Financial Report

A motion was made, seconded, and passed authorizing payment of the January & February 2019 CSRF bills and accepting the January & February 2019 General Fund Financial Reports.

6) 2018 Annual Report

J. Gerber presented the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction Public Library Annual Report to the board. The report was submitted to DPI in February by the due date. There was an 2.75% increase in circulation and 3.5% increase in e-circulation in 2018 and the Children's collection circulation increased by 8.4%. The library continues to be a system net lender. 60,212 people visited the library in 2018– this is fantastic for a community of 4,600.

The programs were successful - 4,540 children (+3.1%), 359 young adults (+57%), and adults 824 (+66%) attended in 2018. The revenues & expenses were in order for the year; the library was about \$3,000 under budget. Non-resident material loans are very high – 42,596 – this means our library has items that patrons want to check out. Our summer reading numbers continued to increase in 2018 to 478 participants. The overall increase was 38% over 2017. These numbers reflect the strength in programming the library is providing.

The Statement Concerning Public Library System Effectiveness was checked as DID provide effective leadership and adequately meet the needs of the library.

A motion was made, seconded, and passed to accept the Public Library Annual Report as submitted.

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7) Director's Report

J. Gerber announced that Tyler returned from parental leave & Hope is now out on parental leave.

The Monarch System is looking for an interim director for the period of one year due to the current director's health issues.

The new Milwaukee Public Museum pass has received a wonderful patron response already. Everyone is encouraged to sign up for the passes early. There are 2 sets of passes available for check-out.

8) Communications

None.

9) Other Matters

New board member Marcella Wilde was introduced. Thank you to Joe Caban for your service to the library board.

10) Adjournment

A motion was made, seconded, and passed to adjourn the meeting at 6:51P. The next meeting date will be Tuesday, April 9, 2019.

Minutes respectfully submitted by: Heidi Rettler