

**Kankakee Public Library April 23rd, 2024
Board Meeting Minutes**

The meeting of the Kankakee Public Library Board of Trustees began at 5:30p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Vena Burkes, Bruce Conway, Mike Gall, Ruth Hatcher, Bonnie Brewer, Kent Wade, and Geraldine Adams arrived at 5:45p.m.

Absent: Liz Barbosa

Also present were: Allison Beasley, Library Director, Camille Rose, Assistant Director of Library Engagement, Vicki Forquer, Assistant Director of Library Resources and Korie Worth, Business Manager

Review of Minutes: The March 19th minutes were reviewed. Gall made a motion to approve the minutes and Burkes seconded the motion. The board approved the minutes unanimously.

Public Comments: There was no public comment.

Communications: Beasley presented the monthly statistics to the board as well as a thank you card from Catholic Charities.

Bills and Invoices and Financial Report: The board reviewed the bills and invoices for the month of March. Costanza motioned to approve the bills and invoices for the library and Hatcher seconded. The board approved unanimously. The board also reviewed the KEP bills and invoices. Gall motioned to approve the KEP bills and invoices and Burkes seconded. The board approved unanimously. The board discussed the interest the library was building and advised it should be put in the reserve account.

Director's Report: Ms. Beasley reported the following: The end of the fiscal year is nearing and the new budget should be ready for the May board meeting. Darnell Davis and his team have been cleaning carpets and some painting will be done soon. Susanne Bult has decided not to return to the library following her maternity leave. Rodney Freeman was the guest speaker at the staff in-service, he began his career at KPL and is now working on a documentary. Adult Services has hosted a handful of author meet and greets; Youth Services has been doing a lot of teen scholarship programs. Merchant Street MusicFest is announcing the 2024 lineup on Thursday.

Unfinished Business: There was no unfinished business.

New Business: The board was presented with one policy edit. Wade motioned to approve the edit and Burkes seconded. The board approved unanimously.

Executive Session: There was no executive session.

Wade motioned to adjourn and at 6:12 p.m.
Minutes respectfully submitted by Korie Worth.