

Kankakee Public Library
February 21st, 2023
Board Meeting Minutes

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

ROLL CALL

Present: Bruce Conway, Mike Gall, Kent Wade, Liz Barbosa, Bonnie Brewer, Vena Burkes, Michael Costanza, Geraldine Adams arrived at 5:51pm.

Absent: Ruth Hatcher

Also present were: Allison Beasley, Library Director; Korie Worth, Business Manager, Vicki Forquer, Adult Services Supervisor, and Adult Services staff

Review of Minutes: The January 2023 minutes were reviewed. A motion was made by Burkes to approve the minutes and seconded by Costanza. The minutes were approved unanimously.

Public Comments: There was no public comment.

Communications: The Adult Services department presented to the board; they introduced the staff and informed the board on the inner workings of their department. They discussed the various partnerships they have, recent programming, and other services offered. The board was happy to hear from them. Liz Barbosa was introduced and welcomed to the board. Ms. Beasley described the room waivers she approved this month and presented the January statistics.

Bills and Invoices and Financial Report: The board reviewed the bills and invoices for the month of January. Wade moved to accept the library bills and invoices; Burkes seconded the motion and the library bills and invoices were accepted unanimously. There were no bills for the partnership.

Director's Report: Ms. Beasley reported the following: The fiscal year is 79% of the way done and the budget has been 74% spent. The ARPA funds are expected to be distributed next month. Darnell Davis has been very helpful to the building in his new position as Operations and Building Support Supervisor. Ms. Beasley is waiting for a proposal from The Silver Broom in regards to an increase in price.

Unfinished Business: There was no unfinished business.

New Business: A partnership request was made by Aunt Martha's. Wade motioned to approve the request and Adams seconded; the board approved unanimously. The board discussed their desire to review existing partnerships. A request to surplus an old tv was made to the board. Gall motioned to approve the request, Burkes seconded and the board approved unanimously.

Executive Session: Executive session was not needed.

There being no additional business, Ms. Burkes motioned to end the meeting ended at 6:45pm