**Alvah N. Belding Memorial Library**

302 East Main Street, Belding Michigan 48809

 **Regular Meeting of the Alvah N. Belding Library Board**

**Library Board Minutes from October 25, 2021**

**Library Board Members Present:** Carla Gunderson, Jan Lamborne, Annette Visser, Sherri Hughes, Thomas Cameron

**Director:** Britney Dillon

**City Council Liaison:** Ron Gunderson

**Guests Present:** Betty Jenkins

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call:** Meeting was called to order by Carla Gunderson at 5:30 and roll was called.
2. **Approval of the Agenda:**  A motion was made by Jan Lamborne and supported by Annette Visser to accept the agenda as presented. Roll called and motion carried.

1. **Approval of the Minutes:**

 A motion was made by Annette Visser and supported by Carla Gunderson to approve the

 September minutes. Roll was called and the motion passed.

1. **Public Comment:** None
2. **Library Reports:** Director’s Report, Youth Services Report, Circulation Report, Donations Report and Monthly Financial Report were all reviewed. These reports were received for filing.

* 1. **Comments on Reports**

Britney Dillon stated that everything that has happened is in the Director’s Report.

Youth: The Youth Team has finished planning the November programming.

Cooking with Kids has had a great response.

 Two sessions of in-person Story time are being offered – 3:00 & 3:45. The response has been

 fantastic! Story Time sessions are being recorded so they can be viewed online, as well. Take &

 Makes are still being made and picked up for all Story Times.

 The Drop-In Halloween Party on October 18 was well attended.

 Kelly has polled the Genealogy group for what they need. Kelly also has two other programs

 planned for November.

 The daytime Book Club for seniors will meet next week for the first time since Covid.

 Circulation: Digital usage remains strong. The August circulation were high, September numbers

 were about normal.

 Monthly Financials: There is nothing unusual to report for the paid bills

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 Donations Report: Britney Dillon said there is nothing new to report.

 Other discussion: The new employee, Michelle McMaster works mostly on weekends. She works

 about 12 hours a week and has also been available to fill in during illnesses.

 Children’s Room Mural discussion. With Candlelight program coming up we would like to have

 the mural repaired. Betty Jenkins will contact Sam King about completing the project.

 There was discussion about the Electric. Light bulbs will be replaced upstairs first and then

 downstairs. The downstairs will be replaced by zone rather than all at once. The lighting on the

 stairway will be done.

1. **Notice of Paid Bills:**

A motion was made by Annette Visser and supported by Sherri Hughes to pay the bills for September, 2021. Roll was called and the motion passed.

* 1. **Comments on bills: None**
1. **Communication and Correspondence: None**
2. **Unfinished Business:**

Britney Dillon stated there is nothing new to report, we remain in Phase 5.

All the materials are out.

Betty Jenkins is still delivering to patrons when needed and curbside is still an option.

We have received a lot of new families and they seem to be very involved. Our old families are also

Returning and are involved in our programs,

1. **New Business: None**
2. **Public Comment:**

**Ron Gunderson** gave us an update from the City Council.

Jorel Davis: Mayor Pro Tem

Bonita Steele: Recreation Board

Ron Gunderson: Library Board

Bruce Myers: Housing Commission & Museum

Sharon Carlson: Facebook – There is a recreation survey to fill out online. Paper copies are also available.

 Zoom meetings

Ron also gave us updates about Lagoon issues and the 5-year plan for Dial-a-Ride.

**Sherri Hughes** said the October Friends of the Library Book & Bake sale was a huge success and made $1,961.20 profit. The Candlelight Reception will be held on November 29. Please spread the word and we welcome baskets from anyone who would like to contribute.

11. **Trustee Comments:**

1. **Annette Visser: None**

1. **Carla Gunderson:**  I’m very happy to be back to normal.
2. **Jan Lamborne:** Thank you & welcome to Sherri Hughes & Thomas Cameron for being part of

. the board. I am also glad to have Ron Gunderson with us as our City Council Liaison.

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1. **Thomas Cameron:** I am happy to be here to make sure the library runs for the next 100 years

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1. **Sherri Hughes:** There are a couple of trees in the parking lot that need to be trimmed.

Sherri also reported that the Friends of the October Library Book & Bake Sale made $1,961.20 profit.

12**.** **Motion to adjourn** at 6:06 p.m. was made by Annette Visser and seconded by Sherri Hughes.Roll was

 called and the motion passed.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice Lamborne

Library Board of Trustees Secretary