**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 April 25, 2022**

**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 and Jim Mason

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call:** Meeting was called to order by Carla Gunderson at 5:32 and roll was called.
2. **Approval of the Agenda:**  A motion was made by Jan Lamborne and supported by Sherri Hughes to accept the amended agenda, to include under New Business, Boilers. Roll was called and the motion carried.
3. **Approval of the Minutes:**

A motion was made by Annette Visser and supported by Thomas Cameron to approve the

March minutes as presented. 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:**

**Director’s Report**: The electricians were here on Friday to look at the chandeliers.

Britney Dillon said that after irrigation system was turned on last Friday and the storage room was flooded on Monday morning, there has been no return phone call or visit from Van Bros yet, to assess the situation.

Sam King has done a great job on the mural.

**Youth Services Report**: We are looking forward to sending our teams for Battle of the Books to Portland to compete.

The Spring Egg Hunt had 29 children and 22 adults attend.

**Adult Programs**: There is another program for adults today.

**Circulation Report:** Usage is up for digital as well as paper books and Britney Dillon is very pleased to see that they are about equal.

Hoopla usage is staying steady. The borrowing limit change hasn’t made much difference. We pay for Hoopla up front. There is also Bonus Borrowing.

**Donations Report:** None

1. **Notice of Paid Bills:**

A motion was made by Annette Visser and supported by Thomas Cameron to pay the bills for March 2022. Roll was called and the motion passed.

* 1. **Comments on bills**: None

1. **Communication and Correspondence:** 
   1. Betty’s news articles.

We received a very nice letter from 13- year old Christopher Warner requesting a book.

1. **Unfinished Business:**
   1. Flooring: Britney Dillon has an appointment to meet with Rockford Flooring on Wednesday to discuss measurements, samples and then a bid will be presented for the Children’s Room & the meeting room. She will also contact Vogue’s for another estimate.

A question was asked about the progress for the sale of our chairs. Britney finally heard from an interested party who is no longer interested so she will post the sale of the chairs online.

1. **New Business:**
   1. Boilers: On April 21st, a technician from Russell Plumbing came to complete our annual boiler inspection and submitted a bid for West Boiler replacement, that will be good until May 22nd. Usually, it is RMS that does the inspection, but due to availability, Britney Dillon had Russell Plumbing complete the inspection. We have a malfunctioning Boiler #2 due to an aluminum core that has rotted away. Boiler #1 is a little better. There was quite a bit of discussion about replacing the Boilers, one or both. The problem seems to be from materials used when the Boilers were built. The core used to be made from aluminum, but now they are made from stainless steel and are much more durable.

Britney Dillon will also get a bid from RMS and possibly others.

There was also some discussion about possibly having the same company oversee the Boilers and the Johnson controlled systems for the rooftop units in the future. Britney Dillon will do some further checking and get back to us. Since our next Board Meeting isn’t until May 23rd, she will see if Russell’s bid might be extended.

1. **Public Comment:**

Ron Gunderson gave the Library Board a very detailed update about what is happening with City Council.

Congratulations for being persistent on getting the Third- Party Agreement done!

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Jim Mason gave a detailed update about the Friends of the Library. In April, the Friends treated the library

staff will special things for Staff Appreciation week. Monday – flowers, Tuesday - special cookies,

Wednesday – lunch, Thursday – Payday candy bars wrapped in $100.00 and Friday – non-alcoholic wine

with Hugs & Kisses candy.

The Friends April Booksale brought in $1,243.20. The next book sale will be the 3rd week of September.

1. **Trustee Comments:**
   1. **Annette Visser:** I submitted my letter of resignation from the board effective May 26th, due to my move

to Ludington. I have enjoyed my time on the board.

* 1. **Carla Gunderson:** Five years is a good run for a board member. We will miss you and so will

Book Club.

* 1. **Jan Lamborne**: Thank you Annette, we are going to miss you! Thank you for all you have done and I’m sure you will love Ludington!!

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* 1. **Thomas Cameron:** Thanks to Betty for keeping the newspaper updated. I will not be here next month.

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* 1. **Sherri Hughes:** It was nice getting to know you Annette.

1. **Motion to adjourn** at 6:37 p.m. was made by Carla Gunderson and supported by Sherri Hughes.Roll was

called and the motion passed.

Our next scheduled Library Board meeting will be on May 23rd at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Janice Lamborne,

Library Board of Trustees Secretary