Highland Township Public Library Board Meeting Minutes Tuesday, June 3, 2025

Members Present: C. Dombrowski, J. Gaglio, C. Hamill, J. Matthews, L. Symons and Director B.

Dunseth

Members Absent: D. Mecklenborg

Guests: None

The meeting was called to order at the Highland Township Public Library at 5:36 pm by J. Matthews.

Motion: J. Gaglio moved and C. Hamill seconded to approve the agenda. Unanimous vote; motion carried.

Motion: L. Symons moved and J. Gaglio seconded to approve the Board Meeting minutes for May 6, 2025. Roll call - unanimous vote; motion carried.

Bills: Total bills for May, 2025 are \$86,442.22. Total bills for June, 2025 are \$44,635.09 with the addition of Applied Innovations, Baker & Taylor Books, Digital Document Store, DTE Energy, when received.

Motion: C. Hamill moved and J. Gaglio seconded to approve the May, 2025 and June, 2025 bills. Roll call - unanimous vote; motion carried.

FYI: Budget report available for review.

Director's Report: Available for review.

Communications: An article in Detroit Free Press explained the free benefits Libraries across Michigan provide by offering the Michigan Activity Pass (MAP) to patrons.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Library Network: The Library purchased three portable drives to back up the server on a weekly basis. Four reference disk computers have been replaced at an approximate cost of \$2,700. The Library Network director is monitoring the court case involving Texas library patrons and the First Amendment.

Motion: Chris Hamill moved and J. Gaglio seconded to purchase four reference disk computers not to exceed the cost of \$2,700. Roll call - unanimous vote; motion carried.

Building Maintenance: Goyette and Carrier completed the job of fine-tuning the air conditioning system. Goyette needed to replace the wire on the actuator after a mouse chewed through the wire. Several quotes were received and reviewed for shading the Clerestory windows.

Motion: L. Symons moved and J. Gaglio seconded to accept the quote from Blind Cleaning Services Llc. for shading the Clerestory windows as presented. Roll call - unanimous vote; motion carried.

Audit: The audit was returned and reviewed by the Board.

Strategic Plan: The Friends of the Library voted to pay the entire cost of painting a habitat mural on the chimney swift.

Outreach: Three staff members attended the Founder's Day festival. D. Schwanninger is visiting local elementary schools to promote summer reading. The summer newsletter went out on May 21st.

Board: D. Mecklenborg resigned from the Library Board. The Library has 4 candidates which are under consideration for the position. **B. Dunseth will contact K. Rea to fill the open position as approved by the board.** The Board positions of president and vice-president need to be filled.

Motion: C. Hamill moved and L. Symons seconded to accept the appointment of J. Matthews as Board president, J. Gaglio as vice-president **and K. Rea as trustee**. Unanimous vote; motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Equipment: A new copy machine for staff use is on order.

Policies: The Library lawyer sent a template of an employee handbook, which the board reviewed.

Personnel: J. Fenton has returned to work.

July Meeting: The July 1, 2025 Library Board Meeting will be held in the Community Room, at 5:30 pm.

Public Comment: None

Adjournment: L. Symons moved and C. Hamill seconded to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 6:26 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Cindy Dombrowski