

Tri-Township Public Library  
Board of Trustees Meeting  
Regular Minutes  
January 7, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. by President Ashcraft.

Roll Call: Elson, Juehne, Lindsay, Scheller and Ashcraft. Absent: Erschen.

Present from the public were David Cassens, director and Pamela Espindola.

Input of Agenda Items: Board-appointment of Board vacancy  
Public-None

Election of Officers: the election was tabled until we have a full board. There was a discussion of voting of officers in March.

Approval of minutes: The minutes were tabled.

Treasurer's Report: We are solid. We have made no transfers. Funds are on target. We don't know what will happen with the new State taxes.

Director's Report: The meeting with the Rotary Club of Troy on December 4<sup>th</sup>, went well.

We updated our fire alarm system.

I have finished and submitted the Per Capita Grant for this year and have received an email confirming receipt of it.

Statistics Attached.

The Director explained the statistics for the new board members.

Maintenance: The elevator is fixed.

Communications: We received letter from the lawyer and the property taxes for the storage units was lowered.

Old Business: Green Space: Nothing.

25 year Celebration Committee- We have only received five favorite reads or author and hobbies. Some need to be updated. There was a discussion of displays for the hobbies. Lindsay said she may have a display case.

New Business: Dental Insurance plan – This plan affects Joel, Debbie, Elizabeth and David. The plan we have expired on the last day of December. Director has quotes from Cornerstone who gave three plan, Guardian which is the cheapest and closest to our previous plan, Met Life has the least coverage and Delta Dental which has both Dental and vision.

The Library would be grandfathered in due to the company being bought out.

A motion was made by Elson and seconded by Scheller to get our dental plan from Guardian.

Ayes: Elson, Espindola, Juehne, Lindsay (abstained), Scheller and Ashcraft, Absent:  
Erschen.

Fine Free – The Director stated that many Illinois Libraries including Peoria, Decatur, Breese, Chicago and Kansas City have gone to being fine free. Wood Rive is considering it

also. Patrons would still be charged for lost or damaged books. They believe there would be more patronage if the library is fine free.

We are in need of bags to make the mats.

We need to just get rid of the collection agency.

Closed Session: None

Announcements and Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:06 p.m.