

Reed City Area District Library Board Meeting

January 2, 2024 6 p.m.

829 South Chestnut Street, Reed City, MI 49677

Present:

Lyndsey Eccles, President, Reed City

Kylene Nix, Treasurer, Reed City

Bette Newell, Secretary, Lincoln Township

Laura Dahlquist, Trustee, Richmond Township

Shay Thompson, Trustee, Richmond Township

Kathy Yost, Trustee, Lincoln Township

Irene Balowski, Green Township Liaison

Absent:

Cedar Township Liaison, OPEN

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6 p.m. by L. Eccles. Attendance was noted by B. Newell. A quorum was present.

2. Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by S. Thompson and seconded by B. Newell. to accept the agenda as amended. It passed.

3. Approval of Consent Agenda

A motion was made by B. Newell and seconded by Kathy Yost to approve the consent agenda consisting of December 5- 2023 minutes, December 2023 expenses and the financial reports of August 2023, September 2023, October 2023 and November 2023. It passed.

A discussion was had on ways to go forward with getting our financial statements done.

4. Citizen's request and/or comments.

None

5. Board President Comments

L. Eccles suggested we request either M. Rohen or J. Rohen to attend our Board Meetings.

9. New Business (amended agenda)

A. Election of officers for 2024

A motion was made by L. Dahlquist and seconded by K. Nix to approve the slate of officers as follows: Lyndsey Eccles-President, Shay Thompson-Vice President, Kylene Nix-Treasurer, Bette Newell-Secretary. It passed.

B. 2024 Board of Trustees Meeting Schedule

A motion was made by B. Newell and seconded by K.Yost to approve the schedule as presented. It passed.

6. Standing Committee Reports

A. Budget and Finance-meeting set for January 10, 2024 at 4 p.m.

B. Digital Sign-did not meet

C. Building Committee-will schedule a spring walkthrough

D. Strategic Planning-will schedule a meeting at next meeting.

E. Millage-meeting set for January 23, 2024 at Trinity at 6 p.m.

F. HR committee-a special meeting will be held on January 10, 2024 at 6 p.m. to evaluate the applicants for the Director position.

G. Ad-Hoc-next meeting a committee will be selected to organize a presence at the Memorial Parade to promote the millage.

7. Director's Report

A complete Director's report is available for public viewing in the Board Packet for January on the Library website and also is on file at the library. The Board decided they would like J. Rohen to continue to report the metrics as M. Rohen has been doing and also the social media reports.

8. Ongoing Business

A. Environmental Project-no report

B. Director Interviews-will be scheduled by B. Newell for two applicants on January 10, 2024 at 6 p.m. and 6:45 p.m.

C. M. Rohen's Contract

A motion was made by S. Thompson and seconded by K. Nix to offer a 90 day contract to M. Rohen, with the same guidelines as before, to train the new director. A roll call vote was taken. Yeas: K. Nix, S. Thompson, K. Yost, L. Dahlquist, B. Newell, L. Eccles. Nays: None. It passed.

10. Board Dynamics

None

11. Citizen's request and/or comments.

12. Adjournment

A motion was made by L. Dahlquist and seconded by K. Nix to adjourn the meeting. It passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bette Newell, Secretary, RCADL Board of Trustees

The next meeting of the RCADL Board is February 6, 2024 at 6 p.m. in the Reed City Area District Library Community Room.