

Neenah Public Library Board of Trustee Meeting Minutes – May 15, 2019

Call to Order

With Sarnecki in the chair, the Neenah Public Library Board of Trustees meeting was called to order at 4:01p.m. in the Carpenter Conference Room. Members present: Jan Sarnecki (president), Patricia Rickman (vice president), Carol Codner, Merry Whipple, Tami Erickson (Aldermanic representative), and Randy Fieldhack. Members excused: George Scherck, Kylee Miller (teen representative), Beth Irish, Lisa Hemes, and Tim Kachur (Neenah Joint School District Representative).

Also present, Gretchen Raab, director, and Nicole Hardina-Wilhelm, assistant director.

Minutes

On motion of Whipple, seconded by Rickman, the Board approved the minutes of the Library Board meeting of April 17, 2019. Sarnecki abstained.

Statistical Report

Adult book circulation is up 1% and youth audiobook circulation is up 10% over last year. Digital circulation continues to increase, with a 9% increase over last year. Program attendance was up 29% and Wi-Fi use increased by 5%.

Bills for Consideration

On motion of Whipple, seconded by Fieldhack, the Board unanimously approved payment of the May bills.

Director's Report

Director Raab discussed the ILS (computer system) merger discussions between OWLSnet and WALIS.

Adult and Technical Services Department

Hardina-Wilhelm and Wulff were on *Fresh Take* with Josh Dukelow/WHBY discussing the Summer Reading Programs and trends in libraries. Hardina-Wilhelm reported hoopla® will go live Monday, May 20. Hardina-Wilhelm and Jona Donato rode the Bibliocycle to the Touch-a-Truck event on May 15. Lisa Robak, Amy Molitor, Gwen McGannon, and Richie Zaborowske (as Nina the Pelican) were also at the event.

Naming Rights

On motion of Rickman, seconded by Whipple, the Board unanimously approved the adoption of the Donor Recognition policy.

Memorial Donation

On motion of Fieldhack, seconded by Whipple, the board unanimously approved accepting the donation from the Yazicioglu family for the purposes of purchasing a sculpture and for the naming of room 126 in memory of Yekta, with leftover funds from the purchase of the sculpture to be used in a manner to be determined at a later date.

Summer Lunch Program

In partnership with the Neenah Joint School District, the library will offer lunches during the summer June 10 – July 18, with no lunches being served the week of July 1.

Next regularly scheduled meeting

Wednesday, June 19 at 4:00 p.m. in the Carpenter Room.

Adjournment

On motion of Fieldhack, seconded by Codner, the library board adjourned at 5:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gretchen Raab