

Meeting Minutes
Auburn Public Library District Board Meeting
September 17th, 2024
7 PM

Call to order: A regular meeting of the Auburn Public Library District Board of Trustees was held in Auburn, IL, 62615, on September 17th, 2024. The meeting convened at 7:13 pm. President Lacy Strader presiding, and Ashley Jarrett, secretary.

Roll call to establish quorum:

Board Attendees:

1. Lacy Strader: present
2. Monica Garrett: present
3. Ashley Jarrett: present
4. Jeffrey Stutsman: absent
5. Deb Burke: present
6. Dan Dixon: present
7. Katie Horath: present

Staff:

Amanda Kendall, Library Director: present

Nicole Szymiski, Librarian: present

Kaydence Lehman, Aide: absent

Visitors:

none

I. Approval of minutes:

Motion: Moved by Lacy Strader to accept the minutes of the August 2024 meeting

Motion carried.

II. Consent Agenda

- a. Youth services down but kids started school so this is not unexpected

Motion: Moved by Lacy Strader that the Consent Agenda be approved.

Motion carried.

III. New Business

1. B&A Ordinance 24-01
 - a. Prepared by the office of Phil Lenzini

- b. Budget includes increases for salaries, programming and membership fees
- c. *Motion:* moved by Lacy Strader to accept Ordinance 24-01
 - i. Lacy Strader: yay
 - ii. Monica Garrett: yay
 - iii. Ashley Jarrett: yay
 - iv. Dan Dixon: yay
 - v. Deb Burke: yay
 - vi. Katie Horath: yay

Motion carried.

- 2. IPLAR and ILLNET completed by Amanda

IV. Unfinished Business

- 1. Proposed modified hours during ILAAC
 - a. Amanda and Nicole gone October 8, 9 and 10
 - b. 3 pm- 7 pm October 8th and 9th
 - c. *Motion:* Moved by Dan Dixon to modify library hours for ILA conference on October 8th and 9th to 3pm-7pm. **Motion carried.**
- 2. ILAAC Trustee Day October 10th
 - a. Dan is signed up
 - b. No other takers.

V. Treasurer's Report

- 1. Financial Reports
 - a. Next month since we have B&A Ordinance now

VI. Director's Report

- 1. Facility
 - a. Library will be closed for homecoming September 20th
 - b. Library will be closed Monday, October 14 for Indigenous Peoples Day
- 2. Staff
 - a. ILA conference is coming!
 - i. Nicole and Amanda are attending all 3 days
- 3. Programming
 - a. Summer Reading- Adventure at the Library
 - i. Lots of positive feedback but attendance has been less than previous years; people are busy
 - b. Babies and Teens update
 - i. Wednesday baby story time has good attendance; adding new bins
 - ii. Teen attendance has dwindled with school and activities starting back up

- iii. Baby sensory story time continues to be well attended and has regulars now
 - iv. Older story time is not attended
 - c. Storytimes, book clubs and passive programming
 - i. Baby story time has been going well
 - ii. Friday story time has been changed to 11am to increase attendance
 - iii. Book clubs are ongoing and well attended
 - iv. Passive programming are ongoing, adding a collage station, Kaydence working on interactive end-caps; still trying to increase passive programming so that teens have more attendance
 - d. Trunk or Treat and Witches Night Out
 - i. Events by Bewitching Botanicals; the library will be more involved this year
 - ii. Library will provide space for psychic readings during Witches Night Out
 - iii. Still ironing out details with Jessica Lance from Bewitching Botanicals
 - e. Banned Books Week “Freed Between the Lines”
 - i. September 22nd-28th
 - ii. Freedom to Read day is Saturday
 - f. Library Crawl starts 10/1; State Library is participating this year
 - i. We will have popcorn treats for visitors “thanks for popping in!”
 - ii. Map with pins for where people traveled from
 - g. Book Sale starts Thursday 9/26

- 4. Fundraising
- 5. Long Range Plan Progress Report
- 6. Other

Motion: Moved by Lacy Strader to approve the Director’s Report.

Motion carried.

VII. Committee Report

- 1. Budget/Finance Committee
- 2. Policy Committee
- 3. Building Maintenance Committee
- 4. District Expansion Committee
- 5. Ad Hoc Committee

VIII. Public Comment

IX. Announcements

- 1. Next meeting is October 15th, 2024

X. Adjournment: Lacy Strader made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 pm.
Motion carried.