

Canton Public Library (CPL)
Board of Trustees Monthly Meeting
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Tuesday, November 14, 2023
6:00 PM

Members (Present):

Kate Bevans, Stephanie Chancellor, Katie Marney, Karla McReynolds, Patti Meldrum, Beth Weaver and Mary Kay Lane. Phyllis Dean and Esa Seegulam not present.

Call to Order:

Meldrum called the meeting to order.

Public Comment:

Approval of November Agenda and Minutes:

Marney moved to approve the October minutes and agenda; seconded by Chancellor.
Approved.

Approval of October Financial Report:

Chancellor moved to approved the financial report. Bevans seconded.
Approved.

Director's Report:

-Report from Director Lane regarding the Grand River Library Conference. Information shared regarding the offering of Wolfner Library to visually/mentally impaired patrons regarding materials and services available at no cost.

-Small grant was received from the State Library of \$78.56 to be spent only on Summer Reading promotional materials.

-Extra State aid was granted for approximately \$1,500 to be dispersed in 2 payments to be used only for summer reading program supplies, computers, eBook offering among other things.

Legal invoices received from Dennis Smith and Lauber Law Firm. Both are for consultation and guidance services for the upcoming tax levy proposal.

Friends Report:

Old Business:

-Discussion on wording for the new mission statement: *The Canton Public Library enriches lives and inspires curiosity by fostering a passion for reading and lifelong learning. We are proud to provide a welcoming environment that serves as a center for community engagement where together we explore, discover, and learn.*

Weaver made a motion to adopt the above statement as the current mission for the Canton Public Library. Bevans seconded.

Approved.

-Guest, Jeff McReynolds, offered information regarding strategies for the upcoming tax levy proposal and guidance on procedures for a timely filing to the Lewis County Clerk with a resolution for the April 2024 ballot.

Adjournment:

Chancellor moved to adjourn the current meeting and open a closed session meeting. Bevans seconded.

Approved.

Next Meeting:

Next meeting will be on Monday, December 11th at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Karla McReynolds
Acting Secretary