

**MASCOUTAH PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
**MEETING OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**September 19, 2017**

The Trustees of the Mascoutah Public Library held its regular meeting at the library on September 19, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Trustees present were Nancy Larson, Roger Grodeon, Frank Bandre, Wayne Wilhelm, Suzy Friederich, Kay Connolly and Merly Friedland; absent were Anne Schorr and Jordan Kneschke. Also present was Library Director Marian Albers.

President Nancy Larson presided and Merly Friedland recorded the minutes.

President Nancy Larson administered the Oath of Office on the newly appointed library trustee, Kay Connolly.

There were no additions to the agenda. The Board expressed sympathy to Trustees Nancy Larson and Kay Connolly on the loss of their beloved aunt, Mrs. Marjorie Worms.

The minutes of the last board meeting held on August 29, 2017 were approved as written.

**Financial Report:** Frank presented the Balance Sheet as of August 31, 2017, and the statements of income and expenses for the month of August, 2017 and the year-to-date period from May 1, 2017 to August 31, 2017. During the first four months (4/12ths or 33.33%) of the current fiscal year, the flow of income has been very good. Total receipts of \$203,910 represents 54.2% of budget. Total expenses of \$121,065 represents 32.2% of budget. Frank stated that a new account, Lost Books, will be added to the General Revenue category to account separately for amounts recovered from the patrons due to loss of books.

*Upon a motion by Roger, seconded by Suzy, the Board unanimously approved the above financial statements and ordered that the same be filed for audit.*

**Committee Reports:** None

**Director's Report:** Please refer to the Director's detailed written report for the September, 2017 Board Meeting, the Comparative Library Circulation Report for August, 2016 and August, 2017, and Non-Resident Registrations for FY 2017-18.

Marian then introduced Attorney Phil Lenzini, who is attending tonight's meeting by invitation and by telephone. Mr. Lenzini, an expert on Illinois Library Laws, has been invited to provide the Board extensive information on how to become a Library District. With the Illinois Library Law Materials that he had provided the Board earlier, Mr. Lenzini led a discussion of factors to be considered, methods, conversion/annexation, formation/organization, costs, and legal procedures to be followed to become a Library District. After a very informative session, the Board thanked Mr. Lenzini for his telephone presentation, which the Board found very helpful for future reference and guide in decision making.

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** 1) Received a thoughtful “Thank You and So Long” note from Linda Tribout, from her new home in Urbana, Illinois.

2) Discussion - Dorothy Beimfohr Memorial

*Upon a motion by Roger, seconded by Kay, the Board approved by unanimous voice vote, the purchase of activity materials with funds from the Dorothy Beimfohr Memorial.*

**Adjournment:** There being no further business, President Nancy declared the meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m. The next Board Meeting will be on November 21, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.

Merly T. Friedland, Secretary  
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