

***Roselle Park Veterans Memorial Library
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Minutes

Date: September 20, 2023

Meeting: Library Board of Trustees

Place: Roselle Park Veterans Memorial Library

Time: 7:00 pm

1. Call to order @ 7:01 – President Carlstrom
2. Announcement of compliance with the Open Public Meetings law
3. Roll call
 - President Sue Carlstrom - present
 - Director Alex D'Yan - present
 - Tara Lechner - present
 - Dexter DelaCruz - present
 - Jeff Regan - absent
 - Daniel LaPorte - present
 - Angie Perez - absent
 - Nora Posadas - absent
 - Council Liaison Rosanna Lyons – present
 - Brook Paskewich - absent
4. Flag salute
5. Approval of the minutes: June 14, 2023
 - Motion approved Tara Lechner by 2nd by Dexter DelaCruz
6. Financial Report/ Action on bills for August 2023
 - Discussed financial report
 - Brief review of year to date budget, slightly below target, no concerns about overspending.
 - Sue Carlstrom makes motion, Tara Lechner 2nds – motion passes
7. Program or Guest Speaker
 - None
8. Correspondence:
 - None
9. President's Report:
 - Some building issues during the summer and a few other minor issues that required some early closure
 - Good attendance at events
 - End of summer event went well
10. Children's Department Report:
 - Report provided for review
 - Total attendance at storytimes and programs: 1,527

- Discussed different events and speakers for children

11. Director's Report:

- Report provided for review
- Discussion of future programming, will wait for new Librarian to join for program planning

12. Report of Superintendent of Schools:

- Kids back in school, kicking off back to school nights in town tonight
- Suggestion to have library set up table at back to school nights
- Will send over copy of last year's yearbook
- Thanks to knitting club for crafts created
- Elementary schools – excited that Faith Odat will be coming to read to children at the schools, looking to set up future dates
- Pre-school: thanks to library for helping families with registration for pre-school

13. Report of the Liaison for Mayor and Council:

- Would like to explore additional ways to advertise library events – Alex will share calendar and fliers to Councilwoman Lyons to share in other online venues
- Confirmed that Alex will work with Rosanna if advocacy is needed on behalf of the library (ex: issues with non-functioning AC units and getting DPW support to approve fixing)

14. Reports of Special Committees:

- none

15. Public Portion:

Pavel Luchin - 426 Hemlock – taking opportunity to observe and listen

16. Old Business:

- No old business discussed

17. New Business:

- Old librarian resigned

Resolution 09-23: New hire Lisa Palacio, MI – Introduced by Sue Carlstrom and 2nd by Tara Lechner

- Review and discussion of hiring process
- Passed

Meeting adjourned at 7:47PM by Dexter and 2nd by Tara

Next meeting date is: **October 18, 2023**

*If you cannot make the meeting, please contact the library or Board President prior to the meeting.

Thank you!