

Kokomo-Howard County Public Library (KHCPL)
Board of Trustees Meeting
KHCPL Main
February 17, 2020

Members

Karen Sosbe, President
Mary Baker
Joe Dunbar
Alan Girton
Philina Martinez
Stephanie Oden
Cathy Stover

Others

T. J. Rethlake, Attorney
Treasure Obikwu, Mayor's Youth
Vinh Ly, Mayor's Youth

Staff

Faith Brautigam, Director
Doug Workinger, Assistant Director
Heather Dale, Administrative Assistant
Rita Bates
James Crowder
Lori Hugley
Tonya McClain
Becca McGregor
Joy Record
Robin Reef
Dani Sexton
Nichole Simmons
Shakti Scircle

The board meeting was called to order by the president at 4:30 p.m. with all members present.

There were no public comments.

The consent agenda was reviewed as follows (see reports): Minutes of January meeting; January 2020 statistical report; July to December 2019 Statistical Report; January 7-February 10 appropriations report; January 31 Funds Balance; January 7-February 10 allowance of claims; and Personnel Changes. The consent agenda was approved following a motion by Mr. Dunbar and a second by Mr. Girton. Ms. Baker stated that she is enjoying seeing the social media statistics that are now listed on the monthly statistical report.

The board reviewed the proposed Trespass Policy (see policy). The policy was approved following a motion by Ms. Baker and a second by Ms. Martinez.

The Electronic Device and Internet Acceptable Use Policy (see policy) was approved following a motion by Ms. Baker and a second by Mr. Dunbar.

Mr. Workinger shared the 2019 Annual Report, which we submit to the Indiana State Library (see report). In answer to a question by Mr. Dunbar, Ms. Brautigam explained that some of the information goes to the Institute for Museum and Library Services and the State Library keeps information for historical and comparison purposes. A motion to approve the Annual Report was made by Ms. Baker. Mr. Dunbar seconded the motion and it carried.

The 2020 Attorney Contract (see contract) was reviewed. The contract was approved following a motion by Mr. Girton and a second by Ms. Stover.

Ms. Brautigam asked for input from the board on what information they want included on monthly department reports. Ms. Baker stated that she reads the entire report each month to be aware, and she very much enjoys reading the success stories that are shared. Ms. Martinez stated that she enjoys the

visual images that are included in the report. Mr. Dunbar said that he enjoys the Thumbnail Sketches at board meetings. He added that he doesn't think it is necessary for the department heads to share as much information, but he would be happy with whatever is easiest for the department heads. Ms. Sosbe stated that she very much enjoys knowing what is going on so she can be ready with the correct information if asked questions. Ms. Stover said seeing the list of programs is very helpful and that she has heard from two families recently who told her they had chosen Kokomo because of the programming offered at the library.

Head of Branches Lori Hugley gave a thumbnail sketch about the Thinking Money for Kids exhibit which is on display at KHCPL South through March 20. She noted that this exhibit is smaller than the last few exhibits, with an introductory panel and five stations. The exhibit opened February 12. South is also having some special programming to go along with the exhibit, including Boy Scout and Girl Scout programs, a swap meet for kids, a shredding event, and financial workshops. Some field trips by smaller groups has been planned. Ms. Hugley announced that the American Library Association (ALA) will be sending a professional photographer to take pictures of our exhibit because of the great programs we have planned.

There was no Other New Business.

Under director's comments, · Ms. Brautigam shared a letter from ALA applauding KHCPL's Thinking Money for Kids exhibit and programming. · Ms. Brautigam explained that she is going to the Public Library Association conference in Nashville, Tennessee, from February 26-29 and will be representing OCLC Wise, giving a talk about our Banksy experience. In addition, she will be taping a video explaining why we chose OCLC Wise. · Ms. Brautigam provided a copy of a letter to the editor complimenting KHCPL.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:04 p.m.

Alan Girton, Secretary

[Minutes prepared by Heather Dale.]

The next meeting will be March 16, 4:30 p.m., at KHCPL Main.