

GRAFTON-MIDVIEW PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MEETING

January 10, 2023

President Joe Urig called to order the regular meeting of the Grafton-Midview Public Library Board of Trustees at 7:07 pm. Roll call: Joe Urig, Angela Carter, Ted Schriver, and Evelyn Hemmingsen. Library Director Adele Infante, Fiscal Officer Lorie Scheer, and Library staff member John Kenny also attended. Clare Gallaher arrived late and listened via Zoom. Corey Heredos was absent.

Adjustments to the Agenda

None

Recognition of Visitors

None

Comments by the President

Joe Urig thanked everyone on the Board for taking part in interviewing two candidates for the open board position.

Public Comments

None

Meeting Minutes

Evelyn Hemmingsen moved, and Ted Schriver seconded to accept Resolution # 23-1-1, approving the minutes from the Records Commission meeting on December 13, 2022. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Angela Carter moved, and Ted Schriver seconded to accept Resolution # 23-1-2, approving the minutes from the Board of Trustees Regular Meeting on December 13, 2022. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Evelyn Hemingsen moved, and Angela Carter seconded to accept Resolution # 23-1-3, approving the minutes from the Board of Trustees Organization Meeting on December 13, 2022. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Fiscal Officer's Report

Fiscal Officer Lorie Scheer presented and reviewed the following financial reports at the meeting: Bank Report, Revenue Report, Expense Report, and Check Register for December 2022. Discussion followed.

President Joe Urig stated that the December 2022 financial reports were received, reviewed, and ready to file for audit.

Director's Report

Adele Infante reviewed passport statistics for the past year, reporting that the Library earned more than \$10,000 from processing passports. Over the past five years, the Library secured more than \$35,000 from passports.

Adele provided an update on the Women's Fund initiative Change the Cycle, addressing period poverty in Lorain County. The Fund offered free dispensers and an ongoing supply of pads for two restrooms. They ask us to keep track of the number distributed into the community to determine the initiative's effectiveness.

Adele updated the Board on staffing as interviews continued for open positions. She also announced the hiring of Gavin Maziarz as a part-time Local Historian. Discussion followed.

Adele provided information about memorial donations for recently passed patrons, including Doris Wildenheim, Jack Knechtges, and Barbara Jantz. Family members asked, in place of flowers, to make a memorial contribution to GMPL in each of their obituaries. Discussion followed.

Adele provided updates on strategic planning, community partnerships, volunteers, setting goals with managers, and core competencies. Discussion followed.

Adele shared an article from the Plain Dealer regarding renovations at the Hough Branch on Cleveland's east side.

Building Committee

Ted Schriver met with Midview School Board members to discuss a potential collaboration on a new library building. Ted also spoke with Kevin Flanagan about available properties in the service district, including a site on Vivian Drive. Discussion followed.

Personnel Committee

Board members reviewed two applicants for the vacant board seat: Mindy Harris and Kevin O'Neil. Discussion followed.


Angela Carter moved, and Evelyn Hemmingsen seconded to accept Resolution 23-1-4, appointing Mindy Harris to the Grafton-Midview Public Library Board with a term running from January 1, 2023, to December 31, 2029. All voted aye. Motion carried.

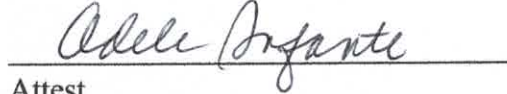
Midview Board of Education Meeting

Ted Schriver attended the Midview School Board meeting in December. The meeting included information about art awards fifteen students received, a donation of chemistry supplies from Cindy Urig, and curriculum updates. Ted met with one of the art teachers about the possibility of displaying this artwork at the Library. He also promoted the *Always Learning at the Library* program. Discussion followed.

Adjournment

Joe Urig called for an adjournment of the regular meeting at 8:26 pm.


Chairperson


Attest