

WHITE CLOUD COMMUNITY LIBRARY
BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S MEETING
December 21, 2022
MINUTES

Present: Judy Maike, Chair, Everett Twp; Pat Ebenstein, Vice Chair, City of White Cloud; Pam Chaffee, Everett Twp; Sue Redding, Merrill Twp; Christine Tiernan, City of White Cloud.

Absent: ; Linda Trapp, Wilcox Twp; Marsha Laninga, White Cloud Public Schools; Melissa Jonaitis, Wilcox Twp

Also Present: Amy Stockwell, Director

Call to Order: Meeting was called to order by the Vice- Chair at 1:07 p.m.

Agenda: Agenda was reviewed by the Board. There being no additions or corrections, motion to approve made by Pat Ebenstein, supported by Pam Chaffee. Ayes all, motion carried.

Minutes: November 16, 2022 meeting – Motion to approve without additions or corrections made by Sue Redding, supported by Pat Ebenstein. Ayes all, motion carried.

Public Comment: No public was present at this time.

Financial Reports: Reports from accountant were reviewed. There being no questions or concerns, motion to receive report made by Pat Ebenstein, supported by Pam Chaffee. Ayes all, motion carried.

Librarian's Report:

- Reviewed statistics from November 2022
- Discussed Library Closed days: Closing at 3 pm on December 22 for staff Christmas, Closed December 23-26, Closed December 31-Jan 2
- Midwest Collaborative for Library Services does Community Engagement Studies. Director Stockwell will apply to Consumer's Energy to see if they will fund the study.
- 3 Friends of the Library attended the meeting on December 6 to begin planning the Pig Roast.

- Matt Biolette from Fleis and VandenBrink had some suggestions to help with City support:
 1. Create an asset and deficit comparison sheet (think those lovely check box advertisements that entice you to buy the next model up!)
 2. Create some visioning meetings
 - a. Board members sit with members of the community and ask questions
 - b. Create a tour of the current space to help highlight the asset/deficit sheet
 3. Invite City Council members to come to our meetings, twice yearly
 4. Invite City Manager to come to our meetings, quarterly

New Business:

1. Donations, Plaques, and Tributes: Discussion around where donated moneys should go within the library budget. How those donations should be published within the library. No decisions made, continue to brainstorm.

Old Business:

- Director Stockwell suggested we look into hiring a grant writer to secure some grant funding for a new building.

Correspondence: None

Board Comments: Sue will be in Florida for January and February. Judy will not be able to attend the January meeting. It was decided due to our recent issues with quorums that we will just skip the January meeting.

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 2:30 PM

Respectfully submitted:

Christine W. Tiernan, Recording Secretary