

SHENANDOAH LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES

August 7, 2024

This meeting will be via Zoom (Z), an accepted internet method of meeting with members who may attend online, if requested.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Gregg Broermann, Dan Cox, Mims Henstorf, Jennifer Jones, Melinda Kirby, Amy Miller, Justin Trowbridge, , and Chris Wiebold.

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Jenny Burkhiser, Mary Ann Gibson, Eric Holste, and Adam Wright.

ALSO PRESENT: Carrie Falk, Director; Jon Brantner Council Representative

I. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting of the Shenandoah Public Library Board of Trustees was called to order by President Dan Cox at 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 7, 2024, in the Carnegie Room.

II. PUBLIC FORUM:

III. READING OF THE MINUTES: The minutes of the past board meeting were read through email. Motion to approve made (Gregg/Amy) and passed.

IV. COMMUNICATIONS:

V. REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR: Board read by email. No additions.

VI. REPORT OF THE FRIENDS: The Friends have paid for several of the summer library activities for the kids at the Library.

VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. Budget: ok

B. Building: The air conditioner compressor needed to be replaced at the cost of about \$6,000. Fortunately the work was done quickly with little sweat.

C. Operations: none

D. Policy: It was recommended that some wording be changed in the Mission Statement. A motion was made to change the word recreate in the original statement to innovate (Justin/Chris) which passed.

VII. PAYROLL AND BILLS:

A. Motion to pay bills (Chris/Amy) was made and approved.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- A. A preconstruction meeting will be held on Monday of next week with the architect, construction leader, and Carrie.

IX. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. The Foundation Board met before this meeting. The agenda is attached. During the meeting the Board was informed that their application for a grant to receive 25 HotSpots to be checked out by children was approved. These will have safeguards which will block non-educational usage. They may be checked out and should provide educational benefits to children in families who may not have access to the internet. The initial checkouts will be carefully monitored, and more Spots may be purchased if needed.
- B. A new Page, Lillian Audrey, was hired to replace Auri Trowbridge who will be attending college.
- C. The Library will host a Meet and Greet the new Shenandoah teachers and other hires on August 19th @ 4:30. The Library staff will present many ways the library may help any school activities.

X. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

A.

Motion to adjourn made and passed by acclamation.

The next board meeting will be Wednesday, Sept 4, 2024 at 4:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Mims Henstorf, Secretary _____

Dan Cox, President _____