

FRASER PUBLIC LIBRARY
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MARCH 20, 2022

ATTENDANCE: President-Marlene Hoefft, Vice-President-Mike Wettstein, Treasurer-Kyle Burley, Secretary-Tina Bullis, Trustees-Mary Ann Kuechle, Jim Sutherland. Director-Lorena McDowell. All present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: A motion was made by Member Kuechle to accept the February 2023 minutes. The motion was seconded by Member Wettstein. All in favor

PRESIDENTS REPORT: None at this time.

DIRECTORS REPORT: March Statistics have substantially increased for the month. Performance numbers are closer to 2019. The budgeting expenses are at 73% for the fiscal year. Funding for the library remains status quo.

All current library employees have a copy of the staff handbook. A newly formatted version of the book has been given out and is available for new staffing. Two former employees have returned to the staff. They have received training with the Polaris system.

Director McDowell received 3 quotes for a new printer. The selected company provides customer service training support after the purchase. The new phone system provides more services, at less costs.

Senator Klinefelt is coming to read at our Pirates and Princesses storytime on March 24th. This is an interactive, fun filled event that promotes creativity among your learners. We welcome Senator Klinefelt this month as we develop literacy skills and celebrate Reading Month.

The library staff and FPL board members have received copies of The Library Privacy Act, Act 445 of 1982. This Act provides for the confidentiality of certain library records; to provide for certain exceptions to the confidentiality of those library records; to provide for the selection and use of library materials; and to provide remedies.

No finalization was done by the City for the purchase of 16300 14 Mile Rd., Fraser, MI. The FPL Board was presented with a Real Estate Purchase Agreement for the current library building. The Board is interested but has concerns.

A motion was made by Member Hoefft to direct the library Attorney to respond to the purchase agreement, letting the city know we are interested in this offer, asking questions in the 1st proposed offer, and informing them there may be more forthcoming. The motion was seconded by Member Kuechle. All in favor, motion passes.

TREASURER'S REPORT: None at this time.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: None at this time.

COMMITTEE REPORTS; None at this time.

OLD BUSINESS: None at this time.

NEW BUSINESS: Member Burley replied to a Fraser resident on their concern about the purchase of the PNC Bank Building. He explained the board looked at repair/improvement costs and the use of taxpayer funds. Relocating the library was determined to be a more cost-effective solution when the board looked at potential conceptual projects than an expansion of the existing facility by about one million dollars, which would have been an even greater expense.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY: *Friends of the Fraser Library* members, Karen Arendall and Ellen Bryans, were very happy with the large group of residents that attended the March 1st meeting. They are looking forward to new members to help with the upcoming spring book sale, taking place from Saturday, March 25, through Tuesday, March 28. Ellen credited the local paper for promoting the event through the newspaper.

All residents are welcome and invited to attend the Fraser Public Library Board and Friends meetings. More information on the meetings are available by calling the library at (586) 293-2055.

ADJOURNMENT: The motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Member Bullis.. The motion was seconded by Member Wettstein. All in favor. Motion passes, meeting adjourned at 6:22pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Tina Bullis
Fraser Public Library Board Secretary

**The next LIBRARY BOARD MEETING IS:
APRIL 17, 2023 4:00PM**