

Minutes  
Bartholomew County Public Library  
Board of Trustees Meeting  
April 15, 2024  
Board Meeting 4:00 – 5:00 pm

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by President Gron.

Present on site: Monta Frazier, Gary Gron, Laura Hack, Vern Jorck, Dawn Doup-Pandit, Stephen Shipley, and Mike Wilkerson. Library staff: Jason Hatton, Director; Joe Joyner, HR; Michelle Williams, Business Services Coordinator. Mike McIver, Attorney.

Present via Zoom: None

Absent: None

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the March 18, 2024 Board Meeting were reviewed. Doup-Pandit moved and Shipley seconded approval of the March 18, 2024 minutes as presented. The Board was polled and all answered Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Financial Report and Approval of Claims

A. Claims 224 through 307 in the amount of \$446,738.63 were reviewed. Hatton made note of the following claims: Claim 224 was to transfer interest from a CD to our checking account at Old National Bank. Claim 241 to Zeller Insurance for Workers Compo Policy. Claim 269 to HRC for roof repairs. Claim 287 to S&W for power washing outside in the Courtyard and the walls. Claim 293 to Stratosphere Solutions for server refresh. Jorck moved and Wilkerson seconded approval to pay Claims 224 through 307 in the amount of \$446,738.63. The Board was polled and all answered Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Action Items

A. Acceptance of former North Christian Church. The discussion regarding acceptance of the former North Christian Church property that was tabled at the March meeting was resumed. Board members discussed the research they performed in the interim. Doup-Pandit moved and Frazier seconded a Motion to accept the gift of the former North Christian Church. There was a verbal request from an audience member regarding the motion. The Board agreed to hear from that audience member and one other. A short period of comments was held. Gron restated that a Motion to accept the former North Christian Church had been made and seconded. The Board was polled. The motion passed with 6 votes in favor and 1 vote opposed.

Reports

A. Director's Report.

- Hatton reported that the Eclipse celebration was very successful. We held programming at the Football field at Central and we participated in the events held on the Town Square in Hope.
- We are starting actively working on plans for the library's 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Staff members are recreating photos from BCPL's history. We are working on special anniversary library cards. More details will follow regarding an Open House and other events.
- Hatton shared a Facebook post from a patron showing her daughter and her excitement over receiving her very first library card!
- The Teen department held our first "Promject Runway". Drew Moran led the effort to gather dresses, shoes, suits, etc. for prom-goers to choose from.
- The Friend's "Library After Dark" fundraiser was very successful. Over \$3400 was raised for the library.

Public Comment – 3 minutes per speaker

None.

New Business

Hatton reported to the Board that this would be the last meeting for Shipley. He thanked Stephen for his commitment and service to the library. Shipley said he appreciated his time on the Board.

Hatton asked the Board about advancing the May Board meeting by one week due to scheduling conflicts. All agreed. The May meeting will be Monday May 13 at 4:00 pm in the Red Room.

Adjournment

There being no other business to come before the board, the meeting was adjourned at 4:43 p.m.

Attested:

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Laura Hack, Secretary

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Gary Gron, President