

Minutes of the July 16, 2018

Effingham Public Library

Board Meeting

Members present: Emmerich, Gravenhorst , Greider, Ruholl-Sehy, Topel, Wiethop, Witges

Public Comment: None

Omnibus Agenda: Approved

Action Items:

- Approved the transfer of funds: \$75,000 to Special reserve fund and \$50,000 to Building Fund
- Appointed Sarah Ruholl-Sehy to complete the term of Jim Arndt as treasurer
- Approved a quarterly donation of \$53.00 to recycling services of Centenary United Methodist Church.
- Updated library policies which state “Director Only” to read “ Director or Designee”

Discussion Items:

- Maternity Leave: Discussed the time line of work and time off of Director during maternity leave
- After-School Program Update: a pilot of the program beginning in September to be 2 days, Tuesday and Thursday. The program will increase to 4 days per week later in the year after funds have been raised.
- Opening library at 8 A.M.: Beginning September 4th the library will open at 8 A.M. during the week days for a trial period to be reassessed in October
- Ending \$3.00 replacement fee: Decided to rescind the \$3.00 penalty for card replacement
- Summer Reading Program Update: 400 readers have already completed the program with up to 80 attaining the Super Reader Goal. Quarter of million minutes have been recorded.
- Noted the Illinois Veterans’ history project. The library has participated in the past by aiding in the recording of Veterans’ experiences.

Announcements:

- Tyler Witges announced his retirement from the board as he is moving to a new position at Mercy Hospital in St. Louis, MO.

Adjournment: 6:30 P.M.