

Rolla Public Library
Board of Trustees
Minutes of August 15, 2019

- I. **Call to Order and Roll Call:** President Marcellus called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Members present included: Diana Ahmad, Dale Bleckman, John Denbo, Amy Koenig, Brenda Linkeman, Jim Marcellus, and Becky Roberts. Rachel White joined the meeting via phone.
- II. **Welcome to Visitors:** Rebecca Buckley, Library Director, Steffanie Rogers, Fiscal Agent
- III. **Financial Review:** Steffanie Rogers reviewed the financial statements for the month of June 2019.
- IV. **Review and Approve Minutes from Previous Meetings:** Reviewed minutes from open and closed session on July 18, 2019. Brenda Linkeman motioned to approve all the minutes, Diana Ahmad seconded, and motion passed.
- V. **Library Director's Report:** Rebecca Buckley reported that the Summer Reading Program had approximately 650 reading incentive participants and Wrap-Up Party was packed. The summer's Book Bingo event on Friday nights has been made to a regular monthly occurrence. Some wooden double-sided shelving was obtained with the help of Friends of the Library from the local Lutheran school that is closing. The shelving will get a new look with some glossy black paint. Via donation, two working microfilm machines were acquired. The plan is to move one reader to the periodical room and the other will be stored as back-up. Beginning August 15th, the library will be hosting a monthly event for homeschoolers in the community starting with an Introduction to Homeschooling and late in the year venture into other topics. Due to the generosity of one of our Friends of the Library, there are funds available for new non-resident patrons who can't afford the non-residency fees. There will be a feature article on the library in the Phelps County Focus August 22nd.
- VI. **Old Business:**

No old business discussed.
- VII. **New Business:**
 - a. **Discussion of library courtyard ideas and plans – Brenda Linkeman**

President Marcellus gave a brief history of the library building.

Brenda Linkeman presented to the board ideas for improvements to the Library courtyard that could be utilized by the Library and citizens. She reviewed Phase 1: Stage of the project which included options of the different materials and cost factors for the

stage that included a prefabricated structure, a wood structure, and a concrete stage with a concrete ramp. The board asked her to proceed and get some solid numbers. Also, discussed was the USGS brass marker that will be stamped and installed and incorporated into the nautical theme.

- VIII. **Schedule next meeting date:** The next Library Board meeting will be Thursday, September 19, 2019 in the Meeting Room in the Children's Wing of the Rolla Public Library.

- IX. **Adjourn:** Amy Koenig made the motion to adjourn, Diana Ahmad seconded, motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at 4:27 p.m.