KASSON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MINUTES

The KPL Board of Trustees met Thursday, August 11th, 2016, at 6:00 pm in the Library.

Present: D. Buck, S. Joachim, T. Kamel, Laurie Schultz, and Art Tiff, Director.
Absent: L. Carlsen
Visitors: Pat Shaffer-Gottschalk, Pat Baldwin, John Talcott, Earlene King, and Beverly Jorgenson.
Amendments to the Agenda: none. A motion by Joachim to approve the agenda, 2nd Buck. All ayes.
Minutes of the July 12th, 2016, KPL Board Meeting: a motion by Joachim, 2nd Buck to approve. All ayes.
Financial Reports/Approval of Payables: a motion to approve by Kamel, 2nd Buck. All ayes.
Monthly Reports: motion to approve by Joachim, 2nd Buck. All ayes.
Director's Report: Pat S-G gave a report that outlined how registrations were tallied for the SRP, 90% of children were registered on line, and 50/50% on line and on paper for teens and adults. Culligan of Kasson donated bottled water for the Finale in the park, as the weather was unbearably hot that day.
Committee Reports: Earlene handed out the agenda for the Grand Opening on August 27th. Invitations have been sent and posters distributed around town to inform the public. The ceremony will take place in the parking lot with the Mayor and 2 winners of the SRP to cut the official ribbon. Refreshments will be served in the community room and a very short program will take place with Art Tiff and Tarik Kamel addressing the crowd. Art brought us up to date on the building progress, the floors are stained and sealed, the final grading has been completed by Park and Rec, seeding and rock will begin Tuesday, weather permitting. The cost of the seed is being charged back to IMS Co. Installation of the circulation desk and shelves will begin Friday, 8/12. The playground equipment will be installed after Labor Day, but the designated area will be taped off for the public to see the intended position. There have been a series of staff meetings to prepare for the move and draw up time lines. 2 Men and A Truck will move the heavy items from the old building Aug 19, and books and materials will be moved in sections by volunteers and staff. Doug Buck praised John Talcott for his presentation to the City Council. Pat Baldwin reported that the Friends group will serve cookies and lemonade at the Open House. The Capital Campaign committee had no report. Beverly Jorgenson reported that she has invited members of the SELCO Board to attend the Open House. Steve Kramer will be the new Dodge Co representative, replacing Clint Patterson. The basic technology fee to SELCO will increase substantially in 2018, but remain the same or less for next year. Library Strategies will search for a new SELCO director to replace Ann Hutton.
Old Business: a committee was formed(Laurie, Sue, Pat S-G, and Art) to put together policy for the community room use. A motion to approve the policy was made by Buck, 2nd Kamel. All ayes. To facilitate the move to the new building, the old site will close to the public on Aug 12 and reopen on Aug 29th. The November Board meeting will be Nov 10th to accommodate elections.
New Business: Art proposed a draft of the 2017 KPL budget. After discussing options, a motion was made by Kamel, 2nd Joachim to approve these figures. The County funding will increase slightly for 2017. Art estimates that by making wise decisions and utilizing volunteers, we have saved over $55,000.
General Discussion: concessions at the Opera House will resume in Fall.
Adjourn: 7:57 pm Submitted by: Susan Joachim, secretary