

MORRISON-TALBOTT LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

27 JUNE 2022 MINUTES

The Morrison-Talbott Library Board of Trustees met on Monday, 27 June 2022 at 6:32 p.m. in the library and via Zoom. President Ken Perkins presided. Trustees present included:

Vickie Gardner P
Phillip Kelley A
Kenneth Perkins P

Sharon Glessner A
Andrew Mayer P
Judith Tomlinson A

James Hopkins A
Jared Nobbe P
Rita Trantham P

Others Present: Jamie Wratchford, Library Director

As there were no amendments, Jared Nobbe moved to approve the agenda. Andy Mayer seconded the motion. Motion carried with Gardner, Perkins, Mayer, Nobbe and Trantham voting “aye.”

There was no public comment.

Vickie Gardner made a motion, seconded by Rita Trantham, to approve the consent agenda including the minutes from the 23 May 2022 meeting, June 2022 bills and May 2022 financial reports. Motion carried with Gardner, Perkins, Mayer, Nobbe and Trantham voting “aye.”

There was no report from the Friends of the Library.

In her Director’s report, Jamie pointed out that materials had been delivered for the interior handrail and that the Chamber meeting at the library had been rescheduled from 14 July to 17 November 2022.

Committee Reports:

Personnel and Budget & Finance: No Report
Building and Grounds: No Report
Bylaws and Long-Range Plan: No Report
Col. Morrison Home: No Report
District Library: No Report
Ethics: No Report
Public Relations and Marketing: No Report
Technology: No Report

In new business, trustees discussed the election of officers. The current officers are each eligible for one additional year in their positions. Andy Mayer made a motion nominating Ken Perkins as the Library Board President, seconded by Vickie Gardner. Motion carried with Gardner, Perkins, Mayer, Nobbe and Trantham voting “aye.” Next, Jared Nobbe nominated Andy Mayer as Library Board Vice President. The motion was seconded by Vickie Gardner and passed with Gardner, Perkins, Mayer, Nobbe and Trantham voting “aye.” Lastly, Vickie Gardner nominated Phill Kelley and Library Board

Secretary/Treasurer. Motion was seconded by Rita Trantham and carried with Gardner, Perkins, Mayer, Nobbe and Trantham voting “aye.”

Also, in new business, trustees discussed the new Illinois “Family Bereavement Act,” which amends the Child Bereavement Act of 2016. The statute changes the definition of “covered family member” and adds verbiage for the “Support Through Loss Act,” which adds eligibility for bereavement leave for families in the event of reproductive losses. Trustees evaluated the library’s current bereavement policy and agreed that the changes mandated by the revised statute are a benefit to library employees. Trustees will review the library’s revised Bereavement Policy for a second reading on 25 July 2022.

Next, trustees discussed Public Act 102-0843, which amends the Illinois Local Library Act Section 4-7, effective 13 May 2022, with the following verbiage: “The board may adopt regulations waiving the nonresident fee for persons under the age of 18.” Trustees discussed the merits of this revision to Non-Resident Library Card services. Trustees reviewed income from non-resident card sales from FY 2000 to 2021 to discuss the impact of this potential change. Jamie will gather additional data and the matter will be discussed again on 25 July 2022.

Finally, Jamie shared with the board that the library has been approached by a private business within the city limits of Waterloo for a library card. The business, a daycare, would like to potentially obtain a library card in the name of the business. Trustees reviewed applicable statutes and asked for clarification on some items. The daycare’s request will be discussed again on 25 July 2022.

The next Morrison-Talbott Library Board of Trustees regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, 25 July 2022 at 6:30 p.m. in the library. With no further business to conduct, Jared Nobbe made a motion, seconded by Vickie Gardner, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m.