

# MORRISON-TALBOTT LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

## 24 JULY 2023 MINUTES

The Morrison-Talbott Library Board of Trustees met on Monday, 24 July 2023 at 6:30 p.m. in the library. President Andy Mayer presided. Trustees present included:

Sharon Glessner A  
Phillip Kelley A  
Katie Osterhage A

Amy Grandcolas P  
Connie Lutz P  
Kenneth Perkins P

James Hopkins P  
Andrew Mayer P  
Rita Trantham P

Others Present: Jamie Wratchford, Library Director

President Andy Mayer administered the Oath of Office for new trustee Amy Grandcolas. Amy's term as library trustee commenced 1 July 2023 and will expire on 30 June 2026.

President Andy Mayer added a closed session per 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1): the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees. Ken Perkins moved to approve the agenda with the above addition. Jim Hopkins seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There was no public comment.

With no questions, Jim Hopkins made a motion, seconded by Connie Lutz, to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

Jamie reported that the Friends of the Library have set a fall book sale date for 23 September 2023.

In the Director's Report, Jamie highlighted that Julie Jennings has resigned effective 5 August 2023 to pursue a full-time teaching position, and that the library has been approached by Tirzah "Quinta" Scott to digitize the audio recordings she conducted while photographing and writing her two Route 66 books.

There were no committee reports.

At 6:42 p.m., Ken Perkins made a motion, seconded by Jim Hopkins, to enter into closed session. Motion carried.

Ken Perkins made a motion to end the closed session at 6:58 p.m. Motion was seconded by Jim Hopkins. Motion carried.

Amy Grandcolas made a motion, seconded by Rita Trantham, to re-enter regular session at 6:59 p.m. Motion carried.

Rita Trantham made a motion to accept the Director's evaluation as discussed before the signature. Connie Lutz seconded the motion. Motion carried.

The library has been approached about potential involvement of the Col. Morrison Home in a haunted house-type tour this fall as a fundraiser. After some discussion and concerns about safety, it was determined more information is needed before the library can decide whether or not to participate.

Jamie shared information with trustees regarding the library's potential involvement with the annual "Back to School Bash" hosted by Truth Church. The library was asked to participate, and we offered to host a game with used books as prizes (similar to our outreach at Pumpkinfest). The church requested pre-approval of the used books given as prizes. The library responded with our Collection Development policy. After much discussion, trustees affirmed the library's position on censorship. It was suggested that we try to find an alternative prize for our game and booth. Jamie will reach out to the church to find a satisfactory resolution.

TMI has provided a cost and scope estimate for the replacement of two fan coils. Trustees discussed the ongoing challenges with the entire mechanical system, and decided to move forward with this repair. Jim Hopkins made a motion, seconded by Connie Lutz, to authorize TMI to make the repairs up to a maximum of \$6080, as per the TMI quote. Motion carried.

The next Morrison-Talbott Library Board of Trustees regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, 28 August 2023 at 6:30 p.m. in the library. With no further business to conduct, Rita Trantham made a motion, seconded by Ken Perkins, to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:04 p.m.