



**Hudson Area Joint Library
Library Board of Trustees
Meeting Minutes
June 15, 2021 – 5:30 PM**

1. Call to order at 5:36 p.m. by President Paul Berning. Roll call, certification of compliance with opening meeting laws and public record laws, and introduction of visitors and guests.

Board members present: Berning, Whiteley, Schrock, Peterson, McCarthy, Coppenbarger, Blank, O'Connor.

Visitors: Joyce Law

Staff: Shelley Tougas, Madeline Page

2. Citizen comments – None

3. ACTION ITEM: Approve Consent Agenda Items

- a.) Approve meeting Agenda
- b.) Disposition of Minutes from the May board meeting and of any intervening special meetings.
- c.) Discussion and possible action on invoices that are not regularly recurring or are not within the 2021 Budget vs. Actual to Date
- d.) Discussion and possible action on regularly recurring expenditures that are within the Board approved 2021 budget
- e.) Discussion and possible action on 2020 and 2021 budget comparison
- f.) Golden Rule revenue and expenditures

Motion by O'Connor to approve a-f

Second by Blank

Discussion: None

Vote taken: MOTION CARRIED - 8 Ayes / 0 Nays

4. Presentations:

- a.) Friends of the Library: Joyce Law mentioned a generous donation designated for library operations and the Friends have scheduled their book sale for the first week of October.
- b.) Library Foundation: Barb Peterson mentioned a potential planning committee to strategize for possible space allocations/fundraising.

5. President's comments, reports, and Municipal updates:

- a.) President: Berning stated what an honor it has been to serve with Vice-President Katie Coppenbarger on the Board and offered thanks for her service.

- b.) St. Joseph: No updates.
- c.) Town of Hudson: No updates/expect updates in August.
- d.) Village of North Hudson: No updates.
- e.) City of Hudson: No updates.

6. Directors' Report

- a.) Presentation of the monthly report and statistics.

7. ACTION ITEM: Annual meeting action items

- a.) Board meeting dates: Motion by O'Connor to approve as presented, second by Peterson. 8 Ayes / 0 Nays
- b.) Library holidays/closures: Motion by Whiteley to approve as presented, second by McCarthy. 8 Ayes / 0 Nays
- c.) Library Board of Trustees Officers: Whiteley nominated Berning as President / accepted. Motion to move unanimous ballot by O'Connor. 8 Ayes / 0 Nays. Peterson nominated McCarthy as Vice-President / accepted. Motion to move unanimous ballot by Blank. 8 Ayes / 0 Nays.
- d.) Library Board Committees: Finance: Berning nominated himself, Schrock and Whiteley to remain on Finance. Policy and Personnel: Berning nominated Peterson, Blank, and incoming school district rep. Kim Osterhues for PPC.

8. DISCUSSION: Timeline, process and 2022 budget

Discussed options to explore, including the County becoming the taxing authority. Timelines and amounts unknown. Plans to extend the July Board meeting to discuss best, worst and middle case options and the designation of priorities, including staff salaries, cuts to collection and technology funds.

9. DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION ITEM: Virtual meetings

Discussion of resuming meetings in-person. No action taken.

10. Adjourn

Motion by to adjourn at 6:43 p.m by O'Connor
Second by Coppenbarger

Vote taken: MOTION CARRIED – 8 Ayes / 0 Nays

Respectfully submitted,
Madeline Page