

Columbia Public Library
Board of Trustees Meeting

March 12, 2019

The March meeting of the Columbia Public Library was called to order by Vice President Kathleen Habermehl at 7:08. Those in attendance included Cindy Waldemer, Rodney Schreckenberg, Annette Bland, Kathleen Habermehl and Diane Stechmesser. This number did not support a quorum and the meeting proceeded with voting postponed until next meeting.

1. **Approval of Minutes** The minutes were reviewed with approval postponed to next meeting.
2. **Public Comment** No requests were made to address the Board.
3. **Treasurer's Report** Treasurer Rodney Schreckenberg reported that monies from the Real Estate Taxes recently collected were not in the report from the City. Library Director will check with City office. Vote on report tabled until next meeting.
4. **Approval of Current Bills** Board reviewed bills and agreed on payment. Final approval moved to next meeting.
5. **Correspondence** No correspondence
6. **Old Business**
 - Signage The Board discussed bids received for signs on north and south sides of building.
 - Closure The library will be closed March 22nd from 12:00 – 4:00 for staff development on ways library can engage families of autistic children.
7. **New Business**
 - Library Card Program Eight cards have been sponsored so far by the Friends of the Library.
 - Career Fair This event was well received. There were 26 vendors and 35 – 40 job seekers in attendance.
 - Food for Fines Over 300 items were collected in February. They were donated to the Lutheran Church food pantry.
 - Staff Development Seven staff members will attend a session via Zoom on Intellectual Freedom and the Library Bill of Rights. The library will remain open.
 - Building Maintenance Bids were received for power washing library exterior. Fascia is in need of repair.
 - Budget for 2019-2020 Due to a decrease in health insurance expense, other items of interest have been added to budget. This would make purchase of additional technology possible.
 - Conferences Two conferences will be on the April agenda for approval. They include PLA 2020 Conference in Nashville, TN and the Illinois Youth Services Institute in Bloomington, IL.
 - Legislative Action Alert This includes action on Net Neutrality and IMLS (Institute of Museum and Library Services).
 - Stats 6041 items circulated, 255 new items in February
8. **Adjournment** Meeting ended at 7:34. Next meeting is Tuesday, April 9, 2019.

Diane Stechmesser
Secretary