

Board Minutes June 2014

Roll call- Present: Lloyd Appell (President,) Ron Smith (Vice President, entered at 6:47) Louise Russell (Treasurer,) David Aubry (Secretary,) Cheryl Lee, Chuck Ocvirek, Judy Imanse, and Eloine Theobald (Trustees.)

Also present: John Sheridan (Library Director,) Mary Balkema, County Treasurer

The meeting was called to order 5:57 PM by President Appell.

Public comment: none.

Approval of Minutes: General consent to adopt the minutes with correction (gift/girt)

Finance

Approval of May (June) bills: MSC: Lee/Theobald in the amount of \$20,889.36-Roll call vote: Yeas: Appell,

Aubry, Imanse, Lee, Ocvirek, Russell, Theobald. Nays: none. Absent: Smith

Review of April Financials and Investment Report: Budget on track; Some annual payments paid this month, exit payment to The Library Corporation and 40% payment to Auto-Graphics as we switch to Verso.

Paycheck signing: July 8: Aubry/Smith, July 22: Imanse/Lee

Communications:

Kalamazoo Community Foundation: Letter of \$85 in gifts to the Athletic Boosters endowment.

Unfinished Business:

None

New Business:

1. Mary Balkema, County Treasurer discussed details for a millage election and plans that would need to be in place before starting.

2. Increase of minimum wage effects: Director Sheridan discussed the cascading effect raising the minimum wage would have on library expenses. He also authored letters to Rep Margaret O'Brien and the governor.

Report of the Director: Some numbers are up, WiFi numbers are climbing due to capture of former freebooters.

Counter numbers were down over same month last year due to closure on three days (May 21, 22, 26.)

Members' time:

1. Discussed the posting of draft minutes on the website and agreed that approved minutes would be distributed.

2. Question on effect of E Books on circulation. A book may cost \$85 for 20 uses and may need to be "renewed" if patron use exceeds the 20 use limit where a hard cover copy may cost \$20, but is limited to one patron at a time. MEL.com

3. Handicapped parking space/s: Is there enough parking on a daily basis?

Adjournment: 7:27 pm

Respectfully submitted,

David Aubry, Secretary