

**Bradley Public Library**  
**Board of Trustees**  
**Regular Meeting – February 15, 2023**  
**Frances Wertz Conference Room**

President Bayer called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**Trustees Present:** Nickolas Allen, Karen Bayer, Madonna Benoit, Lucson Edme (Arrived 6:12 p.m.), Ellie Rorabaugh

**Trustees Absent:** None

**Also Present:** Jodie DePatis, Director, Marie Cowden, Recording Secretary, Elizabeth Yolich, (prospective trustee)

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Ellie Rorabaugh made a motion to accept the minutes of the January 18, 2023 Regular Library Board meeting. Trustee Benoit seconded the motion and motion carried by unanimous vote.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**FINANCIAL REPORT AND APPROVAL OF VENDOR PAYMENTS:**

Trustee Bayer made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report as submitted and to accept Vendor Payments in the amount of \$38,920.75 for the month of January 2023. Trustee Rorabaugh seconded the motion. Motion carried by roll call of 4 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:**

(Statistical Reports Attached)

Director DePatis stated the following:

- **Grants:** The FY2023 Per Capita Grant was submitted to the Illinois State Library.
- **Programs:** We had 125 people start the "Yeti to Read" Winter Reading Challenge for all ages with 34 people turning in a completed challenge sheet. Eleven Narcan kits were given out.
- **Training:** Jodie DePatis attended the PrairieCat Delegates meeting via Zoom on January 15. Marie Cowden led a staff meeting on February 10 where the staff completed training on 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment Audits and annual sexual harassment training.
- **Building & Maintenance:** The tile and grout in the bathrooms and entry were cleaned by Brite Swipe after hours on February 4 and 5. The VCT will be cleaned on February 18 and 19. We had a small hole in the sprinkler system that caused a drop in air pressure on January 31. MATCO came out and fixed it the same day before any water could leak out.
- **Technology:** Biblioboard had 504 yearbook views in January. Jodie DePatis has been cleaning out old technology and recycling what is no longer useful. We received a gently used laptop charging cart from Glenwood-Lynwood Public Library via the RAILS classifieds boards.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:** None

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- **Trustee Vacancy:** Trustee Bayer informed trustees that Jonathan Shinabarger informed her of his decision to resign as Trustee effectively immediately. Trustee Bayer encouraged trustees to seek out individuals they may know in the district who would be interested in filling trustee vacancies.
- Elizabeth Yolich expressed interest in trustee vacancy and was interviewed by Trustees.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

- **Statement of Economic Interests:** Director DePatis informed trustees that everyone who was on the Board last year will have to complete Statement of Economic Interests this year. They were informed of email being sent to them in March and of the deadline to complete by May 1<sup>st</sup>.

**COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE:** None

**ADJOURNMENT:**

At 6:26 p.m. Trustee Edme made a motion to adjourn. Trustee Allen seconded the motion and motion carried by unanimous vote.

The next regularly scheduled board meeting will be Wednesday, March 15, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Madonna Benoit  
Secretary

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Marie Cowden  
Recording Secretary