

PERU PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MINUTES FOR DECEMBER 20, 2016

The Peru Public Library Board of Trustees met at 6:33pm on Wednesday December 20, 2016. President Anna Jo McKaig called the meeting to order. In attendance were Sharon Edwards, Bryan Maggart, Ronald Schuckel, Michael Steele and Alison Paul. Director Maryann Farnham was also in attendance.

Minutes- Bryan Maggart moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Alison Paul seconded. The motion carried.

Approval of financial statements, approval of claims, approval of bank and deposit statements. Treasurer Sharon Edwards stated that statements for Oct 2016, Nov 2016 and ~~Dec 2016~~ were in order.

Approval of October 2016 statements were approved with a motion by Ronald Schuckel and a second by Bryan Maggart. Motion carried.

Approval of November 2016 statements were approved with a motion by Ronald Schuckel and a second by Michael Steele. Motion carried.

Approval of December 2016 statements were approved with a motion by Ronald Schuckel and a second by Alison Paul. Motion carried.

Old Business- Internal controls training has been completed by all Library staff and board members.

New Business- Committee to suggest next year's state of officers was approved by President Anna Jo McKaig. Members are Bryan Maggart, Ronald Schuckel and Alison Paul.

Suggestions were also made for replacement for School Board open position on Board of Library trustees.

Project goals for 2017 and beyond- Window replacement was the major topic of discussion. Also discussed was the idea of rediscover down town Peru grant money to help pay for window replacement. Basement flooring was also discussed along with landscaping issues. Master Gardeners to help with landscaping.

An immediate decision was made to block, by chain, the Huntington Street steps ^{due} ~~do~~ to unsafe conditions.

The teenage area decor was discussed and all members agreed that the Library Director can improve decor as necessary within reason.

The Indiana Partners letter was discussed and all of the Board agreed that if the time comes where the Public Library has to be used as an emergency platform for government use, it will be decided at that time.

The issue of staff pay/compensation was brought before the Board by member Bryan Maggart and Director Farnham. President Anna Jo McKaig then formed a committee to look into this issue. Members are Bryan Maggart, Sharon Edwards and Michael Steele.

Renovation Update- It is hoped by Director Farnham and the Board that with the release of retainage dollars, the Library will consider the renovation complete.

As moved by Michael Steele and a second by Alison Paul, the meeting was adjourned by President Anna Jo McKaig at 7:53pm

Respectfully submitted by

Michael Steele

Board Secretary