



**Hudson Area Joint Library
Library Board of Trustees
Unapproved Meeting Minutes
October 20, 2020 – 5:30 PM**

1. Call to order at 5:30 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, Schrock, Blank, Peterson, Whiteley, O'Connor, McCarthy.

Committee members absent: Coppenbarger (joined later)

Visitors: Joyce Law, Addison Miller Filiatreau, Kristin Emerson, Rebecca Haegele

Staff: Shelley Tougas, Madeline Page

2. Citizen comments – Addison Miller Filiatreau and Rebecca Haegele shared their support for the Voices in the Valley series.

3. ACTION ITEM: Approve Consent Agenda Items

- a.) Approve meeting Agenda
- b.) Disposition of Minutes from September 15, 2020 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 2020 Budget vs. Actual to Date
- d.) Discussion and possible action on regularly recurring expenditures that are within the Board approved 2020 budget
- e.) Discussion and possible action on 2019 and 2020 budget comparison
- f.) Legal bills

Motion by Peterson to approve consent agenda

Second by Schrock

Vote taken: MOTION CARRIED - 7 Ayes / 0 Nays / 1 absent (Coppenbarger)

4. Presentations:

- a.) Friends of the Library: Joyce Law reported library grants of \$14,000 have been approved.
- b.) Library Foundation: Joyce Law, who attended the meeting, reported that library grants of \$36,500 have been approved.

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

- a.) St. Joseph: No report.
- b.) Town of Hudson: Susan Blank reported that the town will not reimburse the library for COVID expenses and denied the library's request for a two-percent funding increase.
- c.) Village of North Hudson: No updates

d.) City of Hudson: a two-percent funding increase is included in the preliminary budget.

6. Director's Report

a.) Presentation of the monthly report and statistics, as provided in the written report. Co-directors reported the library will remain open and plan evening browsing appointments.

7. DISCUSSION: 2021 grants from the Hudson Area Library Foundation and Friends of the Library.

Tougas presented the grants approved by both support organizations. The grants will be on the November agenda for official approval.

8. DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION ITEM: Recommendation from PPC regarding staff titles.

Motion by Peterson to change titles of LAll to Librarians.

Second by Blank

Vote taken: MOTION CARRIED - 7 Ayes / 0 Nays / 1 absent (Coppenbarger)

9. DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION ITEM: Recommendation from PPC regarding program policy and background check clarifications after city attorney's review.

Motion by Peterson to approve the revised policy.

Second by Whiteley

Motion to amend by Peterson with an effective date of Oct. 21, 2020

Amendment second by Whitely

Vote taken: MOTION TO APPROVE REVISIONS CARRIED - 7 Ayes / 0 Nays / 1 absent (Coppenbarger)

10. DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION ITEM: Recommendation from PPC regarding director job posting. (Coppenbarger joined the meeting.)

No action taken

11. DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION ITEM: Trustee emails.

No action taken

12. ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn at 6:07 p.m. by Peterson

Second by Whiteley

Discussion: None

Vote taken: MOTION CARRIED - 8 Ayes / 0 Nays

Respectfully submitted,
Shelley Tougas