

Meeting Minutes of the Board of Trustees of the Baright Public Library
Date September 19, 2024 Baright Public Library

Attendees: Melanie Bloom (Trustee), Maureen Konwinski (Trustee), Sharon Medina (Trustee), Jim O'Donnell (Trustee), Edie Vaughn (Trustee), delayed, Amanda Peña (Library Director).

- 1) **Call to order.** Meeting called to order by Melanie Bloom at 6:34 pm.
- 2) **Acknowledgment of the Open Meeting Law.** “This meeting is subject to the Nebraska Open Meetings Act. A copy of that Act is posted on the Baright Public Library website”. Read by Melanie Bloom
- 3) **Agenda Approval.** Maureen Konwinski made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Sharon Medina. The motion passed with the following trustees voting aye: Melanie Bloom, Maureen Konwinski, Jim O'Donnell, Sharon Medina, Jim O'Donnell.
- 4) **Approve minutes.** Sharon Medina moved to approve the minutes from the last board meeting; Maureen Konwinski seconded. The motion passed with the following trustees voting aye: Melanie Bloom, Maureen Konwinski, Sharon Medina, Jim O'Donnell.
- 5) **Financial Report.** The board reviewed the financial report from August, 2024. There were no unusual expenses.
- 6) **Statistical Report.** The board reviewed the statistical report from August, 2024. Generally speaking, there were more decreases from July to August, but from August 23 to August 24 the figures were up.
- 7) **Strategic Plan Report.**
Library Services
 1. *Provide educational and institutional support to the community for those lacking financial stability:*
 - a. Lego Club returned on August 21 for the school year. It will be every Wednesday from 3:30 until 5:00. This will be mostly elementary students up to age 18.
 2. *Assist an aging population with appropriate services and programs*
 - a. The library will be moving the large print collection which is currently located in the back of the adult section to the front of the adult section to make it easier for patrons to browse and it will allow the library to grow the collection because we will have more shelf space.
 3. *Encourage a strong Ralston economy through promotion of Ralston as a place to live and do business.*
- 8) **Technology:**

On August 29th the library switched software for room reservations and the event calendar. Demco discontinued their software Sign-Up/Spaces at the end of August. The library chose the vendor Local Hop to provide for reservations and events.
- 9) **Staff Development:**

On August 21st the library held a staff meeting to go over the First Amendment Audits and to train on our new policy. Starting on August 28, the library will have an intern from UNO library program.

10) **Building Maintenance Report:**

In the last wind storm, there was damage to one of the Storywalks post in Wildewood. We purchased a new post and hope to have it in place by the end of September.

10) **Foundation Reports:**

The Foundation met on September 10th and discussed selling reusable bags.

11) **Unfinished Business:**

None.

12) **New Business:**

New trustee recruitment, ROI 2023.

14) **Public Comments.**

No comment.

15) **Announcements.**

Next meeting will be on October 17, 2024

16) **Adjournment.**

Sharon Medina moved to adjourn the meeting; Edie Vaughn seconded. The motion passed with the following trustees voting aye: Melanie Bloom, Maureen Konwinski, Sharon Medina, Jim O'Donnell, Edie Vaughn. Meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm.