

Salem township library board minutes

May 16, 2024

Attendance: Joy, Amber, Jim, John, Lisa, and Naomi

Library Director: Lisa

Assistant Library Director: Naomi

- Meeting called to order at 6:02 pm
- Motion made to approve the agenda by John, seconded by Joy, all ayes.
- Public comment: none
- Approval of March minutes by Joy, seconded by John, all ayes.
- Board Correspondence: none.
- Treasurer's report: our accounts continue to increase due to interest. We are doing well staying on budget.
- Motion to approve treasurer's report by Amber, seconded by Joy, all ayes.
- Director's report:
 - Numbers look good for March and April
 - This report is shared with Salem and Overisel
 - Lisa went to a webinar about millages (MLA Connect Advocacy Hour: Understanding and Communicating about Millages. One of the topics covered was the AxMiTax movement. If the property tax gets cut, then that will affect the library.
- Ongoing and new library business:
 - Future planning with TowerPinkster included some sketch ideas. This includes some expansion to the library. We should submit questions to Lisa by May 29th so that all the library questions are compiled when sent to TowerPinkster.
 - Regarding strategic planning for the future of the library, we would like some ideas about improvements to the library. Some focuses were looking at electronic books verse physical, improve programming, and education kits. Please send any ideas we have to Lisa.
- Policy Review:
 - Discussion regarding hiring Bradley A. Fowler of Mika Meyers PLC.
 - He does not charge a retainer fee. The charge is per 6-minute increments.
 - Motion made to hire Bradley A Fowler of Mika Meyers PLC by John seconded by Joy, all ayes.
- Positive staff interaction: Staff were so friendly and helpful.
- Public comment: none
- Motion to adjourn by John seconded by Amber.

Next meeting: June 27, 2024, at 6 pm

