# BOARD OF TRUSTEES HARRISON COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY MINUTES

# REGULAR MEETING

December 19, 2019

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of Harrison County Public Library was held on December 19, 2019. The meeting took place at the Main Branch of the Harrison County Public Library, 105 N. Capitol Ave., in Corydon, Indiana. Members of the Board of Trustees present: Jon Howerton, President; Linda Zabel, Vice-President; Suetta Tingler, Secretary; Kathy Crimans, Barbara Hoback Smith, Alisa Burch, Director, and Jessica Stroud-Gibson, Recording Secretary.

Jon Howerton called the regular meeting to order at 3:04 p.m.

# Approval of the Agenda

Kathy Crimans made a motion to approve the December 19, 2019 regular meeting agenda. Linda Zabel seconded the motion, and it was approved by a voice vote.

### **Consent Agenda**

Suetta Tingler made a motion to approve the consent agenda for the December 19, 2019 regular meeting. Kathy Crimans seconded the motion, and it was approved by a voice vote.

## **Treasurer's Report**

Barbara Hoback Smith made a motion to approve the Claims, Budget, Financial statements and Transfer of Funds [within funds] for November 2019. Kathy Crimans seconded the motion, and it was approved by voice vote.

#### COMMUNICATIONS

Alisa distributed the Adult Programs Calendar for January 2019.

Nikki Esarey and her family are presented the Gingerbread Man Pupper Show at the school where her daughter teaches, Paul I. Miller School 114 K-6 in Indianapolis December 19.

The PLAC fee for 2020 will remain \$65.

#### **BUSINESS**

Alisa distributed to the board the 1782 notice, a preliminary budget order that specifies any

revision, reduction, or increase that the Department of Local Government Finance proposes to the library's tax levy or tax rate.

A discussion was held regarding the mileage rate paid to Harrison County Public Library staff. Currently the library pays 54.5 cents per mile.

Alisa Burch distributed the current Bylaws of the Board of Trustees for review by trustees and discussion at the January 2020 regular meeting.

Nominations were made for the 2020 Board Officer Ballot:

President: Jon Howerton Vice-President: Kathy Crimans Secretary: Suetta Tingler Treasurer: Marydee Meyer

The board reviewed the proposed 2020 regular meeting calendar and determined that they wish to hold meetings at other HCPL branches through the year. In April the meeting will take place at the Lanesville branch; in July the meeting will take place at the Palmyra branch and the October meeting will be held at the Elizabeth branch. The remainder of the meeting will be held at the Main Branch in Corydon.

Linda Zabel wished to make comments regarding her time served on the HCPL Board of Trustees, as she finishes her final term on the board. Linda thanked everyone present for the Amazon.com gift card; she promised to use it to buy only books. She also expressed thanks for the farewell Dessert Afternoon and the plaque from the HCPL trustees and staff. Linda said that she is proud to have been on the board when the library was expanding; she remembers when adults were checking out books from the school library because there was not yet a countywide library. She went on to say, "We need to think long-term about expanding and making room for more materials. I have learned a lot about public libraries by being on the board; it is different working in a library branch. I have enjoyed it—everyone has been very nice. I'll try to keep up with everyone, and I may show up at a future meeting."

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Upon a motion by Suetta Tingler, seconded by Kathy Crimans and approved by voice vote, the meeting adjourned at 4:47 pm.

The Board will meet again for the next regular Board meeting on January 30, 2020 at 3:00 pm.

Secretary, HCPL Board of Trustees

Date