

REGULAR LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

Tuesday April 22, 2025

5:00 PM Meeting Zoom

Minutes

Members present: Peggy Ross, Mary Whittaker, Paula Wurst, Mike Peterson and Kerrey Andreas

Members absent: Keith Ryskoski and Marilyn Hartig

Staff present: Lauren Schuppe, Library Director

The Madeline Island Library Board meeting was called to order by Peggy at 5:02 pm.

I. Public Comment - none

II. Minutes

A. Regular Library Board Meeting March 20, 2025

Motion by Mary to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Paula, all ayes. Motion Carried.

III. Financials

A. Sign Directors Timesheet

Timesheets submitted for week ending 3/29/25 & 4/12/25.

Motion by Kerrey to approve signing director's timesheets as presented, seconded by Mary, all ayes. Motion Carried.

B. Approve Bills

Elan Financial	785.88
New York Times	112.00
Mount Ashwabay	693.00
Norvado	387.61

Motion by Paula to approve paying bills as presented, seconded by Mike, all ayes. Motion Carried.

IV. Directors Report

- Lauren has been working on some website glitches.
- Little Green Light (LGL) is all set up to receive donations. This will make tracking more streamlined.
- Lauren will be doing a spring appeal letter for funding summer rec, winter rec and makerspace. She will mail to box holders and put in the Gazette.
- Budget reports are back on track.

V. Library Continuing Ed Scholarship

A. Review Applicants and Award Recipients

Lauren stated that we received 1 application from Jack Nelson and he meets all requirements. Lauren went over the scholarship policy and fund balance.

Motion by Kerrey to award a \$2,000 scholarship to Jack Nelson, seconded by Mary, all ayes. Motion Carried.

VI. Personnel

Lauren gave a recap of the hiring/program so far noting we are still in need of 2 assistants and a director for the 4-5 yr. olds. Stephaine will be utilizing one of rooms we are renting from Barb With. Kelsey will be working with Jill in facilitating teen movie nights.

A. Hire Sarah Demsky for Summer Rec Director I

Motion by Mary to hire Sarah Demsky for Summer Rec Director I at \$24/hr. from 4/22/25 – 9/1/25, not to exceed 500 hrs., seconded by Paula, all ayes. Motion Carried.

B. Hire Stephanie Bliss for Rec Assistant I

Motion by Mike to hire Stephanie Bliss for Rec Assistant I at \$20/hr. from 4/22/25 – 9/1/25, not to exceed 500 hrs., seconded by Kerrey, all ayes. Motion Carried.

C. Hire Kelsey Peterson for Winter Rec Director

Motion by Kerrey to hire Kelsey Peterson for Winter Rec Director for \$20/hr. from 4/22/25 – 9/1/25, not to exceed 150 hrs., seconded by Paula, all ayes. Motion Carried.

VII. Ongoing Projects

A. FriendCircle Update

Kerrey recapped the last FriendCircle meeting, topics discussed included; goals for 2025, spring letter of appeal, grounds work/spring clean-up, story time scheduling, programming ideas, marketing, sound garden and reviving the talent show.

Lauren said her goal is to further define the role of the FriendCircle and understand their relationship better.

VIII. Future Agenda Items – summer rec hiring, contracts, strategic planning

Strategic planning sessions still need to be scheduled. Lauren and the FriendCircle are working on an app. based sound garden.

Adjourn:

Motion by Kerrey to adjourn, seconded by Paula, all ayes. Motion Carried.

Minutes taken from recording and submitted by Dorgene Goetsch, Clerical Assistant.

Minutes approved as presented 5/20/25. D. Goetsch, Clerical Assistant