

Sainte Genevieve County Library
Open Meeting
Board of Trustees
March 13, 2023

Be it Remembered: A meeting of the Sainte Genevieve County Library Board was called to order by Board President Jean Johnson on Monday, March 13, 2023 beginning at 12:03 p.m. at the Sainte Genevieve County Library located at 21388 Highway 32, Sainte Genevieve, MO 63670.

Roll Call: A quorum was established as board members President Jean Johnson, Melissa Otto and Robert Bach answered *aye* to a roll call vote. Cindy Nugent arrived just after the roll was taken. Robin Reynolds was not present. Library Executive Director Shawn Long and Assistant Director Lindsey Picou were in attendance, as were Missy McElligott, the library program manager and Sidney Strzelczyk, interested party. Mister Robert (“Bob”) Nugent was in attendance representing the Community Center Board.

Approval of Agenda: Melissa Otto made a motion to approve the agenda. Robert Bach voiced a second. All board members present voted *aye* in a voice vote and the motion carried.

Public Comment: No public attendance.

Approval of Minutes: Robert Bach made a motion to approve the minutes for both the open and closed February meetings. Melissa Otto seconded the motion. All board members present voted *aye* in a voice vote and the motion carried.

Financial Report: Executive Director Shawn Long went over the Financial Report and line items. Melissa Otto made a motion to approve the Financial Report. Cindy Nugent voiced a second. All board members present voted *aye* in a voice vote and the motion carried.

Directors Report: Executive Director Shawn Long offered the following Directors Report:

New Business:

Virtual Tour: I discovered a company that creates a virtual tour using google photographers. This technology is similar to Google Street view, only in a building. If we move forward with this the cost reflects 20, 360’ photographs and the hosting for one year. Additional costs beyond the first year would be \$289.00 just to pay for the hosting. Similar libraries our size, include a library with a community of 5,500 residents got 2,000 visitors a month. This is a great resource to update our photo’s online and increase engagement in our community. Sadly, with everything we’ve been doing a large segment of the population does not know where we are at and this might help us address this issue and update our web presence.

The total right now is \$1,488.80 this includes 20 panoramic photos at 59.99 each and the 289 for the first year.

Annual Report: Please review your copy of the annual report. The information herein is cur-

rent and up to date. With the only other change being adding photos to the report. If this is approved I will submit this to the state, Commissioners and the entire Community Center board.

I love my Library results: We had 108 participants this year give us reasons why they love their library. We had a lot of great responses and have included a breakdown of the responses with the board packet. Some interesting things to note, Book Selection and Friendliness of the staff was tied for the reasons people love their library with 27 responses including it on their paper.

Bloomsdale Locker Contest: We will be hosting a design our locker contest to wrap our new Bloomsdale Holds Locker. I have already dropped off contest flyers to all of the Bloomsdale schools including Bloomsdale & St. Agnes. I will be posting it to our Facebook page and the local groups to promote it to the rest of the community. (Truthfully since this is for Bloomsdale I really want someone to win that's from Bloomsdale) All submissions will be due by April 3rd. After our next Board meeting we will go through and hopefully pick our winner! So if you can please pencil us in for an extra 15-20 minutes to make this decision.

Bloomsdale Locker Ribbon Cutting: After the locker has been wrapped I am coordinating with Dena to have a Ribbon cutting for it, to really make a big deal about it. Obviously I would like to have as much of the board there as possible and will also invite all the Bloomsdale government officials and County Commissioners personally. If there is anyone else I should invite please let me know and I will put them on the list.

Internet Issues: Since Wednesday March 1st our internet has been very spotty, as of Monday the 6th these troubles continue to persist. Both Bryan and AT&T know about the issues.

Programming / Program Tracking: Programs consists of both one time and weekly/monthly or quarterly programs held on the library grounds where the library is either a host or co-host of a specific program.

Outreach Tracking: Outreach consists of events that the library was invited to or went to in order to showcase or promote library services throughout Ste. Genevieve County. Examples would be Festivals, Community Events, Library Pop-ups etc.

Old Business:

Building update: Now that the roof has been completed and no leaks have been identified Greg and the rest of the maintenance crew will be coordinating with their distributor for the new ceiling tiles. At the present time he is hoping to do this in sections daily before we open, or on a Sunday. Depending on if the CC can store them for a long duration. If not, he may need us to close for a day or two.

Bloomsdale Locker: The locker was delivered February 28th and a Rep from D-Tech came and installed in on Monday February 6th. I have been in contact with Equinox in coordinating the Evergreen connection with them and hope to have this done by the middle of March.

We also dropped off flyers to Bloomsdale and St. Agnes about the designing the wrap. We will run this contest through March and I hope to have a large collection of designs to go through at our next meeting.

Community Foundation Grant: Our tree is complete and we are working on a shipping date. Kendall's Shipping guy is a bit delayed due to the ice last week but we are shooting for the end of February at the latest.

Anecdotal discussion arose with regards to (a) perceived results from our representation in the Women's Health Fair at the SGCMH days prior, (2) how current social values give continuing thought to how the library may meet the needs of readers within age groups, (3) how legislative activity might cause change in library policy or potentially require structural augmentation, (4) how factional societal proprieties may influence the library/patron symbiosis and (5) continued review of patron and employee wellbeing issues both real and perceived.

Next Meeting: The board came to a consensus to have the next meeting Monday, **April 10th, 2023** at noon.

Meeting Adjournment: There being no further business before the Board, Cindy Nugent made a motion to adjourn. Melissa Otto voiced a second. All board members present voted **aye** in a voice vote and the Open Meeting adjourned.

Jean Johnson
Board President
Sainte Genevieve County Library



Robert E. Bach
Secretary
Sainte Genevieve County Library