

Minutes of the Board of Trustees  
William F. Laman Public Library  
Via Zoom  
March 8, 2021 @ 10:30 AM

The Board met via Zoom at 10:30 a.m. Ms. McLean called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. Those present were Ms. Crystal Gates, Executive Director; Ms. Valerie McLean, President; Mr. Charley Baxter; Ms. Joyce Brewer; Ms. Esther Crawford; Ms. Kim Drake; Ms. Vicki Matthews; and Mr. Sonny Rhodes. Also present: Ms. Stacy Purdy, Ms. Shannan Hicks, Ms. Robin Campbell, and Mr. Richard Theilig. There were no public comments.

Motion Mr. Rhodes, second Ms. Crawford to approve the Minutes of February 8, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Gates reviewed the current financials. Ms. Gates advised that an additional \$94,000.00 was received from the Hamilton Estate. Mr. Rhodes opened a discussion of perhaps naming the Main Branch Gallery in Mr. Hamilton's honor with a grand re-opening. All present discussed the family records shared and seeking additional information regarding the other beneficiaries. All agreed that the funds will remain in the CD for now. Motion Mr. Rhodes, second Ms. Drake to approve the Financial Report as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Gates reviewed the Director's report, including her PTO balance and recent meetings. Several youth services employees are attending the virtual workshop usually held at Ferndale. Approximately one-third of the staff are vaccinated. The audit is in progress. Ms. Gates reviewed recent personnel changes, including Jenny Heard retiring, Kathy Sarna moving to Argenta Branch Manager, and the termination of Kenneth Frazier. Ms. Gates reviewed re-opening plans with Argenta possibly opening for browsing appointments beginning April 5, 2021. With re-opening plans underway, open positions will be advertised soon.

The next regular meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 12, 2021, at 10:30 a.m.

With no further business to discuss, motion Ms. Brewer, second Mr. Rhodes to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

Crystal Gates, Secretary