

Minutes
Monona Public Library Board
Library Board Room
March 15, 2022, 7:00 p.m.

I. Roll Call

Library Board Trustees Present: Mary Anderson, President; Roselyn Ebel, Secretary;
Library Board Trustees; Jennifer Kuhr, Alder; Jennifer Fonner, School Board Representative
Absent: Todd Stebbins, Vice President; Erinn Monroe-Nye, Community Representative
Library Staff Present: Director Claringbole

II. Call to Order

President Anderson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

III. Approval of Minutes

Alder Kuhr motioned to approve Minutes for February 2022. Trustee Fonner seconded.
Motion passed.

IV. Consent Agenda

A. Review of and Approval of Bill Payments, Financial Report and Activity Report
Trustee Ebel motioned to approve Bill Payments, Financial Report, and Activity Report
for February 2022. Trustee Fonner seconded. Motion passed.

V. Library Directors Report

A. Tool Library Update

Since the Habitat Restore partnership has fallen through, the Library will go forward
with taking hand tools (no power tools) to begin a tool library. Director Claringbole is
considering storage location.

B. Restrooms

The restroom project is taking a little longer than originally thought, but is progressing
and should be done and painted by the end of next week. A contractor also broke a pipe
that will need to be repaired.

C. Board Games

So far, it's been very successful. All but three games are currently checked out.

Director Claringbole also shared that in-person programming will begin again in April.
The community seems to be responding positively and looking forward to that.

Claringbole continues to discuss staff masking requirements and timeline.

Claringbole shared an update on an outdoor story walk; the library had received funding
prior to the pandemic to install one from the Friends organization. The Board discussed

if a better placement would be at the Library or at a Monona park. Claringbole will pursue finalizing a location.

VI. Board Discussion Topics

A. Update on Strategic Plan

Director Claringbole shared how current initiatives connect to the strategic plan. For example, the community read connects to the outreach pillar of the strategic plan, and the lower level space improvements and signage upstairs connects to the community spaces pillar. Claringbole also discussed communications and programming incremental improvements that have and will continue to take place.

B. Staff and Volunteer Appreciation, April 17-23

The event will be held on Thursday, April 21 at 6:00 p.m. President Anderson will make plans.

C. Book, Television & Movie Recommendations

The Board shared their book, television, and movie recommendations.

VII. Announcements

- A. Next Board Meeting is April 19 at 7:00 p.m. in the library.

VIII. Adjournment

Alder Kuhr motioned to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Ebel seconded. Motion passed. President Anderson adjourned the meeting at 8:34 p.m.

Minutes recorded by Roselyn Ebel
Approved on April 19, 2022