

WAYLAND FREE LIBRARY BOARD REGULAR MEETING (in person at Library)  
**Thursday, May 23, 2023 (scheduled meeting of 5/11/23 did not have quorum)**

President, Julie Kurtz called meeting to order at 6:00 PM

**Secretary's Roll Call:**

**PRESENT:**

Elise Clark, Secretary  
Paula Fox  
Julie Kurtz, President  
Lynnette McAllister  
Lynn Nielsen  
Nancy Reigelsperger

**ABSENT**

Anne Bastine  
Kevin Kilbourne  
Kim Dickinson, Treasurer

Present: Hope Decker, Director

Public: None

MOTION TO ACCEPT MINUTES OF 3/9/2023 subject to revision to correct Library's payment of wages to Hope Decker for up to "72" hours instead of "70" hours while she's in Kenya.

Motion by Nancy Reigelsperger; Second by Paula Fox; All in favor

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

No written report submitted, but snapshot of portfolio submitted and reviewed by Trustees. No decision on Arnie Pechler's, (Financial Advisor) proposal to combine the 4 smaller funds under one custodian:

Epke  
Zone  
Hemmer  
Crawford

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Grant of \$10,000.00 obtained with condition that it all had to be spent in April which Director was successful in spending. Concentration is on healthy living/eating.

Director was contacted by a research group for a grant of \$3,000.00; geared to 5-10 yr olds and their families for engineering. Hope contacting kid/families for sign up. Research group would contact the family to answer questions; Trustees suggested names of kids/families and groups/organizations to contact in addition to those Hope has already contacted.

Positive numbers of attendees in strong programs, How-To Festival, Youth Club (teens), Storytime, Gratitude Gathering, Bone Builders, Stitchers, Lives of Older Women.

New hires by director: Susan Zimmer, Marissa Wise, Diane Wolcott

Website change – now waylandfreelibrary.org (lost control of gunlockelibrary.org)

Director taking NYS paid family leave up to 12 weeks to take care of her ill mother.  
Motion to approve Director's leave.

Motion by Paula Fox, Second by Lynnette McAllister, All in favor.

Director's recommendation to replace her as Temporary, Interim Director is Elisabeth Cowley, present staff employee.

Motion to offer Temporary, Interim Director to Elisabeth Cowley for up to 12 weeks, beginning June 1, 2023 and ending August 24, 2023; Wage to be \$20.00 per hour, up to 36 hours per week. Elisabeth's current wage would stop and start same dates.

Motion by Lynn Nielsen; Second by Julie Kurt; All in favor.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

May 2023 School budget vote passed. Library's request from taxpayers of \$30,000.00 accepted by public.

Discussion of replacement for Anne Bastine who gave notice that due to her time constraints outside the library, she can no longer fulfill her office as a Trustee. Anne suggested Diane Bergvall to replace her.

Motion to offer Diane Bergvall the office of Trustee beginning ASAP.

Motion by Lynn Nielsen; Second by Lynnette McAllister; All in favor.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING: June 8, 2023 6:00**

### **ADJOURN**

Motion to Adjourn Meeting by Paula Fox; Second by Nancy Reigelsperger; All in favor

Respectfully Submitted,  
Lisa Clark, Secretary