

HAZEL PARK DISTRICT LIBRARY
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AUGUST 2023 LIBRARY BOARD MEETING
MONDAY, JULY 24, 7:00 P.M.
HAZEL PARK DISTRICT LIBRARY
(248) 546-4095

CALL TO ORDER	7:04 pm
ROLL CALL	
Adam Duberstein – President	Present
Jordan Wright – Vice President	Present
Lisa Chrouch-Johnson – Secretary	Present
April Beaton – Board Member	Present
Jeffrey Olivier – Board Member	Present
Richard Robbins – Board Member	Present
Barbara Winter – Board Member	Present
Corrine Stocker – Library Director	Present

CONVOCATION: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS

Roland Ernst-Meyer, librarian, stated his opposition to the Proposal to Modify the Library's Alcohol Policy. He pointed out that many in the HP community enjoy alcohol and that restricting the Library's ability to hold fund raisers with wine or spirits.

ADDITIONS TO AND APPROVAL OF
AGENDA APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
7/24/2023 Meeting

Motion	J Wright
Second	A. Beaton
Vote	Unanimous

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

- CIRCULATION REPORTS—JULY 2023
- PROGRAM STATISTICS—JULY 2023 ● INVOICES—
AUGUST 2023

Motion	B. Winter
Second	L. Chrouch-Johnson
Vote	Unanimous

NEW BUSINESS:

- Recognition of Axel Cochran and Icarus Oren, who organized the teen prom and implemented and ran fundraisers for it. (Winter)

Certificates and an honorarium were given to Axel Cochran and Icarus Oren for their work on the HPD Library Teen Prom.

- Proposal to create and implement a speaking policy at upcoming library board meetings. This policy would require public speakers to sign up to speak prior to the meeting, or at the beginning of the meeting. Additionally, it would formally limit speakers to three (3) minutes per person. (Duberstein)

Motion	R. Robbins
Second	L. Chrouch-Johnson
Vote	6 Yay 1 Nay

The proposal should be amended such that public speakers should only be required to give their first names, last names, and city of residence.

Motion	
Second	
Vote	Unanimous

- Proposal to bypass City Hall for oaths of office for newly elected or newly reelected board members. (Duberstein)
- Proposal to refine the library's social media policy to limit the library's responses to social media comments and suggestions to the library director and the librarians or designees. (Duberstein)
- Proposal to modify the library's alcohol policies so that alcohol is never allowed in the building, even for after-hour parties or at fundraising events. (Duberstein)

Motion	L. Chrouch-Johnson
Second	J. Wright
Vote	Failed

Motion tabled while a committee, consisting of Adam Duberstein, April Beaton, Richard Robbins, and Corrine Stocker creates a policy to be proposed in September.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Proposal to replace aging hot water heater (Stocker)

The Abel Plumbing bid for the replacement of a traditional water heater has been accepted.

Motion L. Chrouch-Johnson

Second J. Wright

Vote Unanimous

- Circulation staff request to discontinue use of Unique Management Services, our collection agency

Tabled pending the results of a test being conducted by Mary Boertman.

- Building a partnership with the Madison Heights Chamber of Commerce (Dubenstein)

Tabled

- Proposal to pursue partnerships with Oakland Community College, Michigan State University and the University of Michigan (Dubenstein)

Tabled

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Strategic Planning Committee

Tabled

PLANNING: DIA Mural Project

Tabled pending response from DIA.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Deborah Laframboise, and Beverly Hinton, trustees of the Hazel Park School Board, applauded the Library's Board for their ability to run a fast, argument free meeting. They also offered their congratulations to Axel Cochran and Icarus Oren.

BOARD MEMBER AND DIRECTOR COMMENTS

R. Robbins thanked Axel Cochran and Icarus Oren for their exemplary service.

A. Beaton echoed R. Robbins

L. Chrouch-Johnson Echoed R. Robbins, thanked Richard Gage for his work on the creation of a new sign for the community room, and wished that the teens should be involved in all future fund raisers.

A. Dubenstein echoed R. Robbins, and thanked the Library's Page Justin Mueller for his tireless work on cleaning the Library's basement following the recent flood as well as his assistance at the HP Art Fair. He also thanked Richard Gage for the Library's new sign.

C. Stocker thanked Library Clerk Amber Roberts for spearheading the Library's table at the HP Art Fair, and the creation of all of the Library merchandise sold at the fair, and for the assistance of Library Page Justin Mueller, Robert Shelton, and Axel Cochran. She further thanked the members of the public who had attended this month's Library Board Meeting.

J. Wright offered thanks to Icarus Oren, Axel Cochran, and to Axel's family who were in attendance.

J. Olivier Congratulated Axel Cochran and Icarus Oren for being an example to the HP community.

B. Winter thanked Director Corrine Stocker for, "Saving the Library from the flood", and Page Justin for his working following the flood.

School Board Trustee offered a final thanks to the Library for its efforts on behalf of the teens and children of the HP community. She reminded the Board of the upcoming, Sept. 20th, Hazel Park Youth Assistance's 70th Anniversary.

ADJOURNMENT 8:05 pm