**GRANT COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY**

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**

**REGULAR BUSINESS**

**March 9, 2020**

**Call to order:** 7:04 pm Local History Room

**Type of meeting:** Regular Business

**Presiding Officer:** Bill Oliver, Board President

**Quorum:** Present

**Trustees Present:** Bill Oliver, Paul Messner, Matthew Smith, Jean Payak and Cara Copes

**Also Present:** Susan Nimersheim, Director; Amy Coghill, Administrative Assistant

**Absent:** None

**Agenda approval and adoption:** A motion was made by Paul Messner to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Jean Payak and motion carried.

**Public Comment:** None

**Secretary’s Report:** The February 2020 minutes were reviewed and the report was approved upon a motion made by Paul Messner and a second by Jean Payak; motion carried.

**Treasurer’s Report:** The February 2020 Financial Report was reviewed and presented. The report was approved upon a motion made by Jean Payak and a second by Matthew Smith. Motion carried

**Business:**

1. Legislative issues – Susan reported that the proposed House Budget plan eliminates all state funding for public libraries. She reminded the board members to call their representatives in opposition and ask others to call as well.
2. Foundation – Susan informed the Board members that there is a Library Board Foundation that contains $95,000. It was originally formed from the Webb estate many years ago. About $11,000 of the original funds were used to buy some equipment for the library at that time. Susan asked the board if we should consider dissolving it and creating a new fund with the money for building maintenance. Matthew suggested that we find out if there are any restrictions or rules for the foundation in the original will. Susan will research this and get back to the board members.
3. Director Evaluation – A motion was made by Paul Messner to extend Susan’s tenure and give her a 3% raise retroactive to January 1, 2020 based on her performance this past year. It was seconded by Matthew Smith. Motion carried.
4. Other business:

1) Susan has been talking to Mary Lucas, a local artist, about commissioning a painting for above the fireplace in the library. It would be purchased with grant money, most likely.

2) The first Grant County Bicentennial event at the library is scheduled for Saturday, March 14 from 1pm to 2pm. It will be about clothing styles in this area 200 years ago.

3) Susan informed the Board that she plans to retire in the next year. She has promised to let us know with plenty of time to begin the hiring process for a new director.

**Policy Review:** None

**Reports:**

1. Director’s Report – Susan presented her report for February 2020.
2. Regional Report – Report also presented by Susan

**Correspondence:** None

**Board Member Comment:** None

**Adjournment:**  Motion made to adjourn by Paul Messner and seconded by Jean Payak. Adjournment at 7:55 pm

**Next Board Meeting:** Monday, April 13, 2020

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President Secretary