**Paris Public Library**

**Board of Trustees**

**January 9, 2023**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order at 4:32 p.m. by President George Griffin. Boylan, Gill, Griffin, Gross, Michels, Pennington, Young – present. Earlywine, Garver, Lehman, Punzelt– absent.

**Minutes of Previous Meeting:** MOTION: Young, second by Gill to approve minutes from December 12, 2022 meeting. Motion carried.

**Correspondence, communications, and public comments:** None

**Committee Reports:**

**\*Finance:** Pennington reported finances are as usual. The last monies of the Per Capita grant have been disbursed. MOTION: Young, second by Michels to accept monthly finance report. Motion carried.

**\*Book:** None

**\*House:** The AC/roof moisture problem has not been solved and there is a possible leak by the north entrance. A contractor will be contacted.

**Librarian’s Report**: Librarian Pennington reported that circulation was slower for the month of December, due in part to severe weather and holiday closures. The outdoor sign was used to post the 24/7 warming center information, utilizing the sign policy emergency provision. December 13, the library lost internet due to a cut fiber line. The new vacuum was delivered and works great. December 28, the library hosted The Rec’s Holiday program. After a two-year absence, the popular Noon Year’s Eve party returned. The children made noisemakers and stomped on bubble wrap at 12:00 noon.

Ceili Boylan reported that December was her first month. She is learning procedures unique to Paris Library, including financials, entering statistical data, paying bills and working with the city. She has reached out to neighboring library directors including the DCEO. Ceili enrolled in a series of professional development classes and will meet with IHLS representatives from SHARE on January 17.

\***Friends:** The Friends helped stuff the Santa Sacks. The library distributed over 100 sacks by Christmas.

**Old Business:** The board reviewed three proposals for technology/firewall support. It was decided that more information is needed before the board makes a final decision. The new lighting in the children’s room will hopefully begin soon.

**New Business:** The Board reviewed meeting and holiday schedule for 2023. MOTION: Michels, second by Gross to approve the 2023 schedule. Motion carried.

**Miscellaneous:**

Meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m. Next regularly scheduled meeting is Monday, February 13th, 2023.

Respectfully submitted,

Evie Gill, Secy.