

January 18, 2022

The Marion Public Library Board of Trustees met Tuesday, January 18, 2022, at 6 p.m. in the 2nd floor Library Program Room of the Marion Public Library. Present were, Ms. Sumpter, Mrs. Cline, Ms. Ketcham, Mrs. Nicholson, Mr. Lutton and Dr. Case. Mr. Cline was absent. Also present were Jonie Riddle and Mary Eckerle. This meeting was zoomed with one viewer.

Mrs. Cline called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.

On motion of Ms. Sumpter, seconded by Mr. Lutton, the minutes of the December 21, 2021, meeting was unanimously approved with one correction.

On motion of Mr. Lutton, seconded by Ms. Sumpter, the Treasurer's report and payment of the docket was unanimously accepted and payment authorized. The register of claims is made a part of these minutes.

The Treasurer's report showed a balance of \$2,382,281.94 in the Library Operating Fund as of December 31, 2021.

New Business:

Financial Information: Below is a chart of our LOIT payments through the years.

YEAR	Monthly LOIT (formerly COIT)
2022	42,478.25
2021	45,555.87
2020	43,598.33
2019	41,499.17
2018	31,202.00
2017	30,217.92
2016	30,011.67
2015	29,690.92

Treasurer's Bond: A Treasurer's Bond needs to be authorized for Board Treasurer Sue Nicholson. The amount of the Bond is \$30,000. A motion is needed to accept this bond. On motion of Mr. Lutton, seconded by Ms. Ketcham, the Treasurer's bond was approved. It will be signed, notarized and Recorded in the County Recorder's office.

Policies: On motion of Mrs. Nicholson, seconded by Ms. Sumpter, the Board unanimous approved and re-adopted the Circulation policy and the Internal Controls policy. Each policy had a few changes. Mrs. Eckerle is working on a revised Capital Assets & Depreciation policy for February.

COVID: Discussion on 2022 COVID procedures and policies. Sue Nicholson gave an update on Covid in the schools and Mrs. Eckerle shared an email sent by County Commissioner Mark Bardsley on the Covid situation in the County. Grant County stays in the red with high Covid cases.

Board Reappointments: Paperwork for new County Council appointee Cindy Ketcham was received, signed, and notarized and will be filed in the Clerk of the Circuit Court's office.

State Legislative session: Mary Eckerle gave a brief report on library issues before the State Legislature this year.

Director's Report: The following report was approved by consensus of the Board:

Materials and Services: Statistics will be presented at the meeting.

Staff: No staff changes this month. Two positions are open: Head of Technical Services and Museum Assistant.

Properties: Roger Marx has been setting up the new bedbug oven and its electrical circuits. This oven is used a few times each day to kill bugs and sanitize returned items. This oven was purchased as part of the State's ARP grant.

Children's/Youth Services: 1) Storytime is Fridays @ 10:30 a.m.; 2) Homeschool Book Club for 6th to 8th graders is Wednesday, January 26 @ 10 a.m.; 3) Winter Wonders – STEAM Stations is Saturday, January 22 @ 1 p.m.; 4) Book Club, for 3rd through 5 graders is Friday, January 28 @ 4:30 p.m.; and 5) Lego Club. Saturday, January 15 @ 11 a.m.

Circulation: A new e-book consortium, Indiana Digital Library (IDL) for Indiana Public Libraries will begin in February. Overdrive has agreed to allow all Indiana public libraries that serve less than 150,000 people the option to join a statewide consortium. The creation of a new consortium will allow more access to materials for Indiana patrons. It also will save Indiana libraries money as there will be one platform fee instead of one for each library. The State Library will cover the platform fee for the statewide consortium. Participating Indiana libraries will be able to spend all of their fees directly on content and/or libraries will have the option to delegate spending to a collection development team made up of a rotating volunteer group of Indiana public librarians.

Starting February 23, 2022:

- The OverDrive app will be removed from the Apple App Store, Google Play, and the Microsoft store. Download links for the legacy OverDrive desktop app for Windows and Mac will be removed from overdrive.com/apps.
- New users looking for the OverDrive app will be directed to Libby.
- Users who previously installed the OverDrive app (mobile or desktop) will still be able to use it without disruption.
- All users can continue to access their library's OverDrive website.

Reference Services/Adult Programming: 1) Christina Rowland facilitated a CriCut program with ten attendees in early December; 2) 12 people attended the December 4 family movie; 3) The Book Discussion group had 11 participants; and 4) Displays included World War II, Hoosier Aviators Old toys, and Christmas related books.

Indiana History & Genealogy: The Indiana Room staff has processed 46 boxes of probate packets.

Museum: a) The Inventory Project continues; b) Has made progress on the fossil project; c) Is working with the IWU intern; and d) The announcement for a Museum Assistant has been posted.

Teens: Kristen Gioe continues to offer opportunities for teens to gather twice a month.

Head of Technical Services/System Administrator: There has been one interview for the Technical Services position. Consideration is being given to changing the name of Technical Services to something like Cataloging & Processing Services or Cataloging, Acquisitions & Processing.

Network Manager: Mr. Burritt has reconfigured the new hotspots and they are ready for use.

Kiosk: The Carey Services kiosk has been installed in the Connector. Lieutenant Governor Suzanne Crouch will be at Carey Services on Wednesday, January 18 to celebrate this Community Connections for people with Disabilities grant from OCRA.

Marketing: Collen Cramer was on WBAT on January 7 to discuss museum issues.

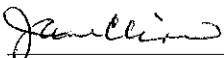
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day: The Library stays open on this day hoping that students and patrons take an opportunity to check out books and DVDs related to Dr. King. The Children's Department has grab and go bags featuring Dr. King. Collen Cramer offered museum tours by appointment and hopes to showcase the Weaver Community.

American Rescue Plan: Most of the materials from the ARPA grant have been ordered and received. Paul Burritt and Roger Marx will be installing them when there is time.

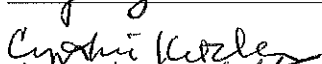
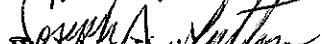
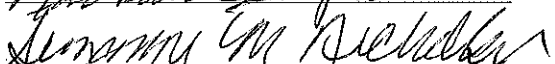

AARP Tax Preparation: Tax help begins on February 1 and will continue until April 14. Mondays, Tuesday, and Wednesdays from 10 am to 3 pm. Thursdays from 10 am to 6 pm. By appointment only. Location: Carnegie Room.

Community Outreach: 1) The Children's Department is partnering with Strengthening Families at the Family Resource Center (used to be the ESC building) on a STEAM grab and go project on Saturday, January 22; 2) Marion Public Library is once again partnering with Justice Middle School in bringing author Pablo Cartaya virtually to the schools and library in early April. His book, *Marcus Bega Doesn't Speak Spanish*, will be read by students and library patrons; and 3) Deb Geyer from the Quilters Hall of Fame and Mary Eckerle will give a presentation to the two local PEO groups on January 18. They will display the Suffrage quilt and talk about their partnership celebrating women's suffrage.

Adjournment/Next meeting: Tuesday, February 15, at 6 p.m.

 _____ President _____ Secretary

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Board invitation 


Carey Services and the City of Marion invite you to attend the confirmed celebration and ribbon cutting for the Community Connections for People with Disabilities (CCPWD) Grant programming on Wednesday, January 19, 2022, from 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. in Building B on the Marion campus of Carey Services. (Building B is the middle building. Guests should enter Door 12 or 14.) As this opportunity was made possible by Lieutenant Governor Suzanne Crouch, she will be present for this special event which will begin at 5:30 p.m. with a short welcome, overview and ribbon cutting. There will be a cash bar and some appetizer-type foods available. Dress is business casual. The event will be streamed on the Live Stream Video page of the GCSocial website (<https://gcsocial.net/videos/>).

As you likely know, our awarded grant initiative focused on City of Marion residents, age 18 and over with a disability and included various informational kiosks around town, a lending library, and a website/informational site specifically dedicated to this grant and people with disabilities (www.gcsocial.net).

Please let me know if you have any questions about this event. I hope to see you there!
Sincerely, Kelly Scher, Director of Fund Development