

Yale Valley Library District

Board Meeting

November 2, 2023

Yale Valley Community Library

6:00pm

Trustees: Bob Appling; Cynthia McAllister; Kathi Wheeler; Julie Starr; Tina Moir, acting trustee for April 13, 2023 Minutes vote

FVRL: Jennifer Hauan; Justin Keeler; Lesley Miller (YVLD); Attar Bhargal

Community Members: Rob Starr and Tina Moir

1. The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair, Cynthia McAllister.
2. The agenda was amended at the request of Kathi Wheeler to include a discussion of the hanging of quilt in the Children's section of the library. Wheeler/Appling The amended agenda was approved by all trustees present.
3. Cynthia introduced Justin Keeler, Acting FVRL Administrator. Justin announced that the new FVRL Director has been chosen and she is Jennifer Giltrop from Florida. She will be starting the new position the first week in December.
4. Consent Agenda
 - a. Minutes for the April 13, 2023 meeting were approved. Moir/Wheeler The motion was approved by all trustees present that attended the April 13, 2023 meeting. Minutes from the September 28, 2023 meeting were approved. Moir/Wheeler The motion was approved by all trustees present.
 - b. Invoice for FVRL contract services July-December 2023 in the amount of \$70,000.00. Appling reviewed the bill and found everything in order. Appling/Starr the motion was approved by all trustees present.
5. Financial Report: Attar Bhargal Attar reported that revenue for the month of September was \$16,355.00. Total cash balance is \$386,775.00.
6. Budget Hearing
 - a. Justin Keeler opened the Public Hearing to consider the 2024 budget. A 1 minute time limit was suggested for public comments. Tina Moir recommended approval. No other comments. The public hearing was closed. Now, Therefore, be it resolved that the YVLD Board of Trustees adopts the 2024 budget in the amount of \$185,000. Resolution 2023-01. Appling/Starr. The motion was approved by all trustees present.
7. Levy Certification
 - a. Justin Keeler opened the Public Hearing to consider the 2024 Levy Certification. There were no comments. There were no public comments. Keeler closed the public hearing. Be it

Further Resolved that the Yale Valley Library District Board of Trustees adopts the 2024 Levy Certifications for Cowlitz County. Resolution #2023-11. Appling/Wheeler The motion was approved by all trustees present.

8. Branch Manager Report: Jennifer Huaun/Lesley Miller Jennifer reported that they are getting very excited about the new library. The Woodland Friends will be having a Christmas Bazaar, Saturday, November 18, 2023 from 10am to 4pm. All proceeds will benefit the new library. Lesley reported Yale Valley Community Library will be having Christmas wreath making classes November 16, 2023 and Ginger Bread House Fun December 21, 2023. There was a discussion of increasing the hours of staff at Yale. In October our use numbers were approximately 730 patrons. This conversation will continue with the new administrator and the board.
9. Kathi Wheeler showed the board a quilt of a lion she would like to loan to the library for hanging in the children section. It will take some special hanging to create the full effect. Kathi will meet with Jennifer, Lesley and Jay to discuss the installation. The quilt will be on loan for 1 year with a possible 1-year extension.
10. Citizen Comments: None
11. Board Comments: Bob Appling reported that he had received an alarm notice on October 26, 2023. Probably due to a power outage.
12. The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 pm/ Appling/Wheeler The motion was approved by all trustees present.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kathi Wheeler

YVLD Secretary