

## **Worthen Library**

Monthly Meeting – Board of Trustees

October 14, 2025

### **Attending:**

Board members: Natalie Kendrach, Kristen Bartle, Gabby Ramseyer, Ken Kowalewitz

Absent: Liz Wirsing

Library Director: Keagan Calkins

Members of the public: None

Call to order @ 6:12

### **Preliminary Business**

- **Review payment orders for approval:** Bills are circulating for approval.
- **Agenda adjustments:** None
- **Public Comment:** None
- **Review and accept the minutes from the previous monthly meeting:** KB moved to accept the minutes from September 9, 2025. GR seconded the motion. Approved unanimously.

### **Library Director's Report**

- Season Tickets to Lake Monsters Games this year
- Courier Grant Cert completed - \$698 from state to support
- Need to replace main laser printer
- Hosting first ever Haunted Library October 25th
- Winter Wednesdays planning has begun - many of the previous favorites will return
- Next month we'll be moving to a new phone service and looking to purchase kids gaming computers
- Thinking about adding afterschool snacks for kids sections

### **Old & Ongoing Business**

2026-2027 Budget Adoption

- With the change of Electricity/Heat cost thanks to our solar panels, and less the Professional Services fees that were previously paid to a recording secretary, we had

extra money to repurpose in areas such as Books, Audiobooks, Library of Things, and Staff Salaries.

- For the 2026-2027 Fiscal Year NK moved to approve a \$169,976.57 budget of which \$129,980.00 will be raised by taxes. KB seconded the motion. Approved unanimously. (This is a 3.19% increase from the 2025-2026 taxpayer portion of the budget which was flat funded from the previous year.)

Quarterly Budget was reviewed among the attending members.

#### Development Committee Report

- Year to date as of now the Foundation has brought in \$60,000 in contributions. This is behind the pace of previous years.
- Fall fundraising letter slated to go out around the end of the month.

#### Website Update

- Individual photos of Trustees with bio - each trustee to find a headshot of themselves and send to Keagan or Kristen
- Weekly Event groups: MaJong, Fiber, Yoga
- Spaces (no ppl): Community Room, Children's Areas, Circulation Desk area
- Groups gathering: Keagan to upload photos from past events & take more for upcoming events

Tent - do we want to keep it or not? Consensus is no (unanimously).

#### **New Business:**

Website Photos (see Website update)

The next meeting will be November 11, 2025. The meeting adjourned at 7:12pm.

- ☒ Ken
- ☒ Natalie
- ☒ Liz
- ☒ Keagan
- ☒ Kristen
- ☐ Gabby