

Library Board Minutes
October 18, 2021

The Carroll Board of Trustees met in the Community Meeting Room at the Carroll Public Library. Trustees present: Lisa Auen, Marcie Hircock, Brenda Hogue, Summer Parrott, Dale Schmidt, Thomas Parrish, Julie Perkins, and director Rachel Van Erdewyk. Trustees absent: Ralph von Qualen, Kyle Ulveling.

Parrott called the meeting to order at 5:15. Van Erdewyk introduced Parveen Karim, the new Public Services Librarian. 5:17 von Qualen arrived. It was moved by Schmidt and seconded by von Qualen to approve the agenda. All voted aye. Absent: Ulveling. It was moved by Perkins and seconded by von Qualen to approve the September 20 meeting minutes. All voted aye. Absent: Ulveling. A thank you card from Judy for the retirement party and a thank you card from St Anthony hospital for letting them use the space for meetings was the correspondence from last month. It was moved by Hircock and seconded by Schmidt to approve the bills. All voted aye. Absent: Ulveling.

Director's Report: Van Erdewyk let us know that the Facebook read along program has ended with in person programming starting again. The library has also hosted tour groups, recently the class of 1961 from Kuemper and a local PEO group. There was a Maker Monday event on no school days and there are plans to host future maker space days on non-school days. A new group has been started headed by Parrott, Embrace Neurodiversity Group, which supports a group of specific children who are neurodivergent and their caregivers.

Board Education: Van Erdewyk educated the board on the library needing a five year strategic plan for the upcoming re-accreditation cycle through the State Library of Iowa. The strategic plan needs to be based on community data and community needs. The board reviewed the requirements of the Strategic Plan based on the Iowa Library Trustee's Handbook. Van Erdewyk presented the current strategic plan.

Old Business: Discussion continued with options on Sunday hours and whether there is a need. More information is being gathered and will be discussed at a later meeting. No action taken.

The Library Personnel Policy was discussed again. Van Erdewyk will bring back an updated policy for review and approval to the next meeting. No action taken.

The strategic plan was discussed again. The current strategic plan will be reviewed by library staff to determine if more data from the community needs to be gathered. No action taken.

New Business: FY 22-23 budget initiatives were discussed. No action taken.

It was moved by von Qualen and seconded by Parrish to adjourn. All voted aye. Absent: Ulveling. Meeting adjourned at 6:37. Next regular meeting will be November 15, 2021.