

Bement Public Library District Board Meeting
July 16, 2024

Board President Mary Postlewait called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm. Director Donna Techau and Board Trustees Bill Gallagher, Jill Lawson, Connie Kinsella, Gail Wright, and Kenneth Wright were present. Trustee Jerry Watzlawick was absent. No one from the public attended.

Ken Wright made a motion to approve the consent agenda as provided. Gail Wright seconded the motion, and all trustees present voted aye.

In old business, Director Techau reported on the status of the proposed mural idea for the new fencing installed on the north side of the building. Connie Kinsella suggested having kids create a design that could be screen-printed on a vinyl banner. Director Techau will look into it.

Progress is being made on the furnishings selection by the subcommittee. They made trips to see furniture in person and are awaiting bids. Before installation, it will be necessary to hire an electrician to update the connections in the floor where the new reception desk will be located.

Summer programming is going well. Attendance is good and feedback has been positive. Tech is almost finished resolving the issue with the security camera remote function.

After a review of closed minutes from July 20, 2021 and January 16, 2024, Jill Lawson made a motion to keep closed session meeting minutes sealed due to a continued need to protect confidentiality. Bill Gallagher seconded the motion, and all trustees present voted aye.

Director Techau initiated a conversation during the meeting regarding fine-free libraries and is asking the board to consider the possibility of making changes to the library's current policy. She will provide the board with some examples of policies for the board to consider. No action is to be taken at this time.

With no new business, Ken Wright made a motion to adjourn at 6:08 pm. Connie Kinsella seconded the motion, and all trustees present voted aye.

The next regular scheduled board meeting is August 20, 2024, at 5:30 pm at the library.

Connie Kinsella, Board Secretary