

**HERRICK DISTRICT LIBRARY BOARD MINUTES
MARCH 2023**

Holland, Michigan
March 23, 2023

Members Present Kleinheksel, Becker, Dewey, Kool, Petzak , Rutan, VanAllsburg

Member Absent Marroquin

Staff Director Kooiker, Assistant Director Williams

2023-14 **Approval of Agenda**

Upon motion by Dewey , 2nd by Becker, the agenda was approved at 4:01 p.m.

2023-15 **Consent Agenda**

Upon motion by Dewey, 2nd by Kool, the consent agenda items were approved.

2023-16 **Citizen's Comments**

There were no citizen's comments.

2023-17 **Friends of Herrick District Library**

Manager DeVries reported that following the Friends book sale, which is June 13-17, the Book Nook will start closing up shop so that their space is clear in time for the renovation to begin. The Book Nook will likely close for a year during the renovation but the Friends will maintain carts with cash boxes like they currently have by the Information Desk in the Main Library and in the entrance to the North Branch.

2023-18 **Director's Report: March 2023**

1. A few months ago, I informed the board of a potential court ruling impacting minimum wage and paid sick leave. That law was to be potentially enacted in February. And on January 26, 2023, the Michigan Court of Appeals reversed the Court of Claims decision which means there is no change to the current minimum wage and paid medical leave laws. We will continue to monitor and suggest changes as appropriate.
2. Our team has been working on the main library collections and merchandising to make sure the collections are right sized before we have to move them for renovation. As we anticipate renovation we will be closing access to the auditorium and main floor meeting rooms because we may need to relocate collections there for a time during renovation. Doing the renovation on an open and functional building will be tricky but I am confident our team will be able to navigate it.
3. Board Games: we are starting a board game circulating collection with the plan to circulate 10 games at main library and 5 at North Branch starting on March 1. The board games are holdable and circulate for 7 days. Some

of the titles include Catan, Dixit, Pandemic, Ticket to Ride, Trekking the National Parks and Wingspan. The target audience is teen to adult.

4. Weather – both libraries did close early on February 22 due to the ice storm and opened late on February 23.
5. Our team has been working with several organizations in the community for programming and Anne, one of our Youth services staff reports: "We were blown away that approximately 180 people showed up for the program "The Musical Adventures of Ferdinand the Bull" presented in partnership with the Holland Symphony Orchestra. The string quartet played music from the opera *Carmen* that was arranged to compliment the classic book *The Story of Ferdinand*. It was a bunch of fun, and we're thrilled by how well this partnership with HSO has been going over the past year or so."

2023-19 **President/Trustee Comments**

President Kleinheksel encouraged board members to be involved in giving and listening for feedback. She also updated the board on a recent meeting with architects.

2023-20 **Committee Reports**

Building Committee met with Lakewood and staff team on March 9, 2023, next meeting is June 8, 2023; Finance Committee next meeting is scheduled for May 9, 2023; Policy/Personnel next meeting is April 13, 2023.

2023-21 **Gifts**

Upon a motion by Becker, 2nd by VanAllsburg, a motion passed to approve with thanks the gifts to the library from the past two months.

2023-23 **Adjournment**

Upon a motion by Kool, the meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.