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LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2023, 5:00 P.M.

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Chairperson Allison Severson presided and convened the regular meeting of Nevada Library Board of Trustees on Monday, September 18, 2023 at 5:00 p.m. at the Nevada Public Library, 631 K Avenue, Nevada, Iowa. The agenda was posted on the official bulletin board in compliance with the open-meeting law.

The roll was called indicating that the following named Trustees were present and absent. Present: Lynn Lathrop, Tim McLaughlin, Theresa Presley, and Allison Severson. Absent: Emily Fulton, Priscilla Gammon, and James Woodard (arrived at 5:25 p.m.).

Others in attendance were Library Director Erin Coughlin, Dylan Davison, and Donna Mosinski.

Motion by Board Member Tim McLaughlin, seconded by Board Member Theresa Presley, to approve the agenda as posted. The roll being called, the following named members voted. Ayes: McLaughlin, Presley, Severson, and Lathrop. Nays: None. Chairperson Allison Severson declared the motion carried.

There was no one present who wished to address the Board at this time.

Motion by Board Member Tim McLaughlin, seconded by Board Member Theresa Presley, to approve the following consent agenda items as submitted:

- (1) Approve **minutes** of the August 21, 2023 regular meeting
- (2) Approve September 2023 **claims** totaling \$7,394.24 (see attached list)
- (3) Accept and place on file the Director's **memo** dated September 15, 2023
- (4) Accept and place on file August 2023 financial report

The roll being called, the following named board members voted. Ayes: McLaughlin, Presley, Severson, and Lathrop. Nays: None. Chairperson Allison Severson declared the motion carried.

Dylan reviewed the Summer Learning Challenge with the board. There were 292 people who signed up. Staff made connections with the community through the farmer's market, county fair, and the touch a truck event. Staff is reviewing the outcome of the challenge and will make changes for next year.

Motion by Board Member Tim McLaughlin, seconded by Board Member Theresa Presley, to approve the 2024 Holiday Schedule. The roll being called, the following named members voted. Ayes: McLaughlin, Presley, Severson, and Lathrop. Nays: None. Chairperson Allison Severson declared the motion carried.

Erin will review the dates that the library will be closed to the public and bring it back to the board.

The Budget Committee decided to meet on October 5 at 8:30 a.m. to go over the initial library budget for FY 24/25.

James Woodard arrived at 5:25 p.m.

Motion by Board Member Lynn Lathrop, seconded by Board Member Tim McLaughlin, to approve the Display Policy. The roll being called, the following named members voted. Ayes: Lathrop, McLaughlin, Presley, Severson, and Woodard. Nays: None. Chairperson Allison Severson declared the motion carried.

For Continuing Education, Erin reviewed the State of America's Libraries in 2023. The discussion lasted for 11 minutes.

Library Director Erin Coughlin reported on:

- The Spanish collection has moved to be more accessible.
- Staff has created a Build Your Own book club area.
- Fall Programs have resumed.
- Community Conversations have been scheduled for October 3, 14, and 18.

The next meeting will be held at 5:00 p.m. Monday, October 16, 2023.

There being no further business to come before the Board, it was moved by Board Member James Woodard, seconded by Board Member Tim McLaughlin, to *adjourn the meeting*. The roll being called, the following board members voted. Ayes: Woodard, McLaughlin, Presley, Severson, and Lathrop. Nays: None. Chairperson Allison Severson declared the motion carried. At 5:55 p.m. she adjourned the meeting.

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Priscilla Gammon, Secretary

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Allison Severson, Chairperson