

Springfield Library Meeting Minutes January 4th, 2024

The meeting was called to order by Jonathan Miller at 7:05 pm; Cheryl Zamelis, Martha Heneghan, Debra Miller, Melinda Supp, Susan Hargrove, Carlin Thompson, and Barbara LaCorte via zoom were also present during the meeting.

The first item on the agenda was to approve previous minutes with amendments. Motion to approve was made by Jonathan Miller, and seconded by Carlin Thompson; with a unanimous vote. The Library Manager's Report was presented by Melinda Supp. Items for discussion were trustee training, advocacy meetings, and attendance. Current attendance at the date was 172 open 85 hours. The Director's Report also was presented, where it was discussed that 35 people joined at story hour with Joanne Fralick. Additionally, 4CLS has installed new equipment per the Summer Reading Program. A "Little Free Library" has also opened.

The library board also met last month for the bylaws to be redone, some changes we discussed were presenting a more simplified version of the bylaws, cutting out expectations that are unrealistic to our individual board, making bylaws more achievable for our board members, taking out the two consecutive terms rule, along with making our quorum the majority of current members at that time. The board voted to approve these changes with the motion made by Cheryl Zamelis and seconded by Carlin Thompson with a unanimous vote. We are also trying to amend the charter that was passed through the state created in 1802, to make the charter more realistic for our library and the board.

Some changes were also made and updated to the board itself regarding the members; the board had voted in Susan Hargrove to the library board, motion made by Jonathan Miller and seconded by Cheryl Zamelis with a unanimous agreement. An updated list of roles has also been decided and is as follows; Jonathan Miller/president, Barbara LaCorte/vice president, Carlin Thompson/secretary, and Debra Miller as the board's treasurer. It is noted that Debra is not part of our library board and does not vote, but her volunteer time as treasurer is greatly appreciated. Motion to approve the updated roles was made by Jonathan Miller and seconded by Susan Hargrove with a unanimous agreement.

The board discussed the date of the next meeting to be on April 4th, 2024, at 7:00 pm. The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 pm, with the motion to adjourn made by Carlin Thompson and seconded by Jonathan Miller.