



**Hastings Public Library Board of Trustees  
Minutes of Board Meeting on January 4, 2021**

1. **CALL TO ORDER** - The meeting was called to order by Jordan Brehm at 4:36 PM.
  - a. Board members present were Norma Jean Acker, Kim Bosma, Jordan Brehm, Audrey Burton, Jeff Kniaz, Kelli Newberry, and John Resseguie.
  - b. Also present were Peggy Hemerling, David Edelman, and Diane Hawkins.
  - c. Members absent were David Koons and Mary Rivett, who had a business meeting.
  
2. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:**
  - a. Peggy asked that the Board amend its agenda adding a discussion of the Date for the January 2022 Board Meeting under new business. It was moved by Newberry, supported by Acker, that the agenda be approved as amended. **Motion Approved**
  
3. **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC** - none
  
4. **COMMUNICATIONS** - none
  
5. **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**
  - a. It was moved by Acker, supported by Kniaz, that the minutes of December 7, 2020 be approved as written. **Motion Approved**
  
6. **FINANCIAL REPORTS AND INVOICES**
  - a. **Invoices for November**
  - b. **November Budget Report**
  - c. It was moved by Kniaz, supported by Burton, that the financials be accepted as reported. **Motion Approved.**
  
7. **ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES**
  - a. **OFFICERS:** The following were nominated:
    - i. President: Jordan Brehm
    - ii. Vice President: Jeff Kniaz
    - iii. Secretary: Kim Bosma
    - iv. It was moved by Resseguie, supported by Newberry, to accept the nominations and they were elected by consensus. **Motion approved.**
  - b. Set up Committees for the year:
    - i. Budget and Finance: Brehm, Newberry, Acker, and Bosma

- ii. Building and Grounds: Brehm, Resseguie and Koons
  - iii. Personnel: Brehm, Bosma, and Burton
  - iv. Policy: Brehm, Kniaz, and Koons
  - v. Marketing: Brehm, Burton, Acker and Rivett.
- c. Hemerling will speak with Koons and then set a date for the Policy Committee to meet to consider the revised collection development policy.

8. **LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** The report is attached.

9. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS – The repair of outdoor lights**

- a. Hemerling reported that the repair of the outside lights has been a long and tedious process. The repair will exceed the original \$1,000 allotted. It was moved by Burton, supported by Acker, to approve up to an additional \$1,000 for repairs.

10. **NEW BUSINESS:**

- a. **Purchase of an AWE Early Learning Station:** It was moved by Kniaz, supported by Newberry, to approve the purchase of an AWE computer the Children's area. **Motion approved.**
  
- b. **Discuss Date of January 2022 Board Meeting:** In order to get the information to the City for their records, it was moved by Kniaz, supported by Newberry, to close the Library on the first Monday in January 2022 to observe the New Year's holiday, and move the Library Board meeting to Tuesday, January 4 at 4:30.

11. **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:** Acker complimented the Library staff for doing a wonderful job of providing services to our patrons over the course of the pandemic. The other Board member readily agreed.

12. **ADJOURNMENT:** It was moved by Newberry, supported by Resseguie, to adjourn the meeting at 5:15. **Motion approved.**