MATTOON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

MINUTES: October 14, 2024 @ 5:15 PM, Kinzel Room, Mattoon Public Library

Board Members Present: Phyllis Karpus, Laura Huddleston, Karin Edwards, Teresa Righter, Laura Glenn, Greg Ray, Clay Dean

Board Members Absent: Harold Pettigrew, Jacob Kimery

Staff Present: Carl Walworth, Beth Pugh, Suzi Atwood

Consent Agenda: Motion by Ray, second by Karpus, to approve consent agenda, which consists of September meeting minutes, vendor report, treasurer's report and circulation report. Motion carried.

Introduction of staff member: Suzi Atwood was introduced as a new employee.

Programming: Deputy Director Pugh reported on field trips including Green and Gold Day, the latest Beanstack promotion and the parenting class, which is at capacity with nine participants.

Director's Report: Director Walworth reported on the fundraiser/annual campaign. There was discussion about the fundraiser, including a suggestion that we include testimonials at the event, that we reach out to more food options and promote regularly on Facebook. Walworth also reported on the Manhattan Short film festival, the upcoming Fall book sale being on weekdays, the activities of Friends group and community outreach including the business expo and Coles Together annual meeting. The library will participate in the downtown Trunk or Treat.

Adjournment: Motion by Dean, second by Huddleston, to adjourn at 5:55 p.m. Motion carried.