**Paris Public Library**

**Board of Trustees**

**May 13, 2024**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by President Janine Brann. Boylan, Brann, Earlywine, Gill, Lehman, Gross, Punzelt - present.

Garver, Griffin, McGill– absent.

**Minutes of Previous Meeting:** MOTION: Lehman, second by Punzelt to approve minutes from April 15, 2024 meeting. Motion carried.

**Correspondence, communications, and public comments:** None

**Committee Reports:**

**\*Finance:** Budget is on track. Nothing unusual from last month. MOTION: Gill, second by Lehman to approve finance report. Motion passed.

**\*Book:** None

**\*House:** Director Boylan had an architect visit the library for an assessment. The library has some major issues that will need to be addressed. The most pressing are windows and roof. Honest Abe made the most recent roof repairs and did not put on leaf guards which have caused clogged gutters. Honest Abe will be contacted for leaf guards. MOTION: Gross, Earlywine second to allow director to contact someone to clean out leaves/debris from downspouts and gutters and to find 2 more opinions on roofing. Motion carried.

**Librarian’s Report**: Director Boylan reported circulation and patron usage are increasing. Mary Liz Wright presented a nutrition program with 10 in attendance. There were two pet adoption days at the library, one for cats and another for dogs. Beyond the Bell visited for the last time this school year. Director Boylan directed 15 children through eclipse related crafts. They will be displayed at the library later. MOTION: Earlywine, second Punzelt to accept librarians report. Motion carried.

\***Friends:** The friends are initiating a Picasso Piggie Coloring contest for children to design the library’s next donation pig.

**Old Business:** The strategic planning committee and garden are on hold until major repairs are completed.

**New Business:** The 2024-2025 officer elections were tabled until June. MOTION: Gross, second by Punzelt to table elections until next meeting. Motion passed. The board reviewed a juvenile’s request to lift his ban on library usage. The board chose to allow him to return on probation, but no bad behavior will be tolerated. SHARE renewal was discussed. The fee increased significantly from previous years. MOTION: Gross, second by Brann to approve pending bill after learning the reason for the increase and if necessary, amend budget. Motion passed. MOTION: Gross, second by Punzelt to approve non-resident card fees with the current formula to be adjusted to the County Tax increase. Motion carried. MOTION: Gill second by Punzelt to renew Illinois Libraries Presents. Motion passed.

**Miscellaneous:**  Closed Memorial Day, May 27. Summer reading begins. Next meeting June 10,2024.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Evie Gill, Secy.