MUSKEGON AREA DISTRICT LIBRARY

A meeting of the Muskegon Area District Library Board was held on Monday, October 15, 2018, at 4:00 p.m. at the Muskegon Area District Library Administration Building, 4845 Airline Road, Muskegon. Staff present: K. Richards, B. Hall, Jackie Roseberry, Kevin Wisniewski, Jeri Wonders, A. Varela, Alison Purgiel and A. Preston. M. Anderson, Legal Counsel was present. Members of the public in attendance: Darnell Gundy-Reed.

D. Hughes called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL
Present: Sims, Holter, King, Hernandez, Hughes, Muncie, Scolnik
Excused: None

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Hernandez, Second by Holter
That the MADL Board approves the Agenda as amended.

Motion Carried

Consent Agenda

Motion by Holter, Second by Sims
That the Consent Agenda Items 6a. through 6c. be approved as presented.

Motion Carried

Vouchers

Motion by Holter, Second by Hernandez
That the Vouchers for September 2018 be approved as presented.

ROLL CALL
Ayes: Hughes, Hernandez, King, Sims, Muncie Holter, Scolnik
Nays: None

Motion Carried

Committees
Storyville
D. Hughes gave an update on Storyville and indicated MADL now has over $600,000 raised for the project which puts the contributions over the 80% mark. D. Hughes will ask for a press release soon. Action items for the project are under Old Business later in the meeting. D. Hughes also noted that several other communities are interested in Storyville in their libraries.

Reports
K. Richards reported that a new HVAC system is being installed at the Norton Shores Branch. It has been a lengthy process and Norton library staff have endured heat, humidity, odors and even had to move a library program to another location because of these issues. As well, the branch had to close today while the new system was turned on. The new system should be completed and working this week. Alison Purgiel, Branch Head and Amy Preston from the Norton Branch were in the audience and were acknowledged by the Board.

J. Hernandez recognized Sarah Mahoney, LVPD Librarian, for calling each of the 500 patrons of the Library for the Visually and Physically Disabled.

Public Comment
Darnell Gundy-Reed spoke about the evolution of libraries and new efforts being made in Germany per a program on Channel 288 WGVU.

Old Business
K. Richards said the MADL Foundation Committee met last week and accepted the change that was made for the large anonymous donation. The donor requested the funds be put towards the Storyville project instead of the North Muskegon Branch. This a tremendous boost to the Storyville effort and is much appreciated.

The Director reported the Storyville Committee met and discussed the RFP’s for Fabricators for Storyville. The Committee unanimously chose Taylor Studios.

Motion by Muncie, Second by Sims
That the MADL Board awards the Storyville Fabricator bid to Taylor Studios, Inc.

ROLL CALL
Ayes: Hernandez, Sims, King, Hughes, Scolnik, Muncie, Holter
Nays: None

Motion Carried

B. Scolnik asked if the flooring was included in the total cost for the project and K. Richards indicated that yes it was.

K. Richards explained the process between the Storyville fabricator and a project manager. The project manager is needed to handle all the things outside of the fabricator’s scope, i.e. flooring, etc. Quinn Evans has incurred extra costs by splitting the design phase of the Storyville project into two parts.

Motion by Muncie, Second by Holter
That the MADL Board approves the payment to Quinn Evans by $11,820.00 due to the redirection of the Storyville RFP process.

ROLL CALL
Ayes: Scolnik, Hughes, Holter, Muncie, King, Sims, Hernandez
Nays: None

Motion Carried
Motion by Hernandez, Second by Muncie

That the MADL Board approves the RFP for Storyville General Contractor as presented.

Motion Carried

B. Hall updated the Board regarding the MADL Administration office space reorganization and indicated it was well underway. The parking lot project is moving forward and a site plan has been completed. The project will add 11 parking places for MADL Administration and Library for the Visually and Physically Disabled.

The amended MADL Bylaws will be distributed for the next Board meeting for action.

New Business
K. Richards presented a Proclamation in honor of Friends of the Library week which will be executed by the Board Chair.

Motion by Hernandez, Second by Scolnik

That the MADL Board proclaims that October 21 through October 28, 2018 as Friends of the Library Week and thanks them for all they do for the MADL system.

Motion Carried

K. Sims asked that the board be notified of any programs being held by the branches in honor of the Friends.

Public Comment
None

Anita Varela distributed information on the Understanding Our Past, Healing Our Future program put on by the Muskegon County Community Foundation on November 6, 2018. Dr. Joy DeGruy, acclaimed author, educator, and speaker will be the guest speaker.

Board Comment
B. Scolnik asked what is happening regarding the usage of the Community Room by the Library in North Muskegon. K. Richards said the North Muskegon Friends group has requested the fees be reduced and the North Muskegon City Council has agreed and those fees have been cut in half. This is much appreciated by MADL and the North Muskegon Friends of the Library group. Discussion followed about the Intergovernmental Agreements with municipalities for reimbursing their costs for building expenses.

B. Hall reported interest income has increased greatly since the move to Fifth Third Bank.

Adjournment
Motion by Hernandez, Second by Sims

That the MADL Board meeting adjourns at 4:54 p.m.

Motion Carried

Reviewed and Approved by John Holter, Secretary