

**Belleville Area District Library
Meeting Minutes
May 14, 2024**

1. **Call to Order:** Chair Sharon Peters called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.
2. **Roll Call:** The following board members were present: Dan Fleming, John Juriga, Sharon Peters, Linda Priest, and Tanya Stoudemire. Absent and excused: Joy Cichewicz and Alma Hughes-Grubbs. Also present: Library Director Mary Jo Suchy.
3. **Approve Agenda:**
Motion by Juriga, seconded by Priest, to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.
4. **Approve April 9, 2024, Regular Meeting Minutes:** Motion by Stoudemire, seconded by Cichewicz, to approve the April 9, 2024, minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.
5. **Public Comments:** Dr. Maria Jackson Smith noted that it was refreshing to be at a meeting when it is still light outside.
6. **Committee Reports**
 - A. **Building:** The flag pole light is not working again.
 - B. **Bylaws:** No report.
 - C. **Finance:** Stoudemire presented the 9-month budgetary report.
 - D. **Marketing:** The Friends book sale and the plant swap were very well attended.
 - E. **Personnel:** The library received personnel policy documents from the attorney.
 - F. **Policy:** No report.
 - G. **Art:** No report.
7. **Approve Accounts Payable:** Motion by Stoudemire, seconded by Juriga, to approve the accounts payable as presented. The motion carried unanimously.
8. **Director's Report:** See attached.
9. **Trustee Comments:**

Juriga – Thanked Dan for sharing the information from *The Independent* regarding FEMA reimbursements for last August's storm damage. He thanked U.S. Representative Debbie Dingell for recognizing the Rosies in Washington.

Fleming – Complimented the library's flower pots in front of the building. Commented that the changes to the library's website look nice. Noted that he will not be able to make the June board meeting.

Stoudemire – Thanked Mary Jo for overseeing all of the library's activities, finances, and staff training.

Priest – Was in the fireplace room before the meeting where she heard about the library's Playaway collection.

10. Chair Comments:

Peters – Hasn't been in the library much this month due to foot surgery.

11. Adjournment:

Motion by Juriga, seconded by Cichewicz, to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.