

**Belleville Area District Library
Meeting Minutes
July 9, 2024**

1. **Call to Order:** Chair Sharon Peters called the meeting to order at 7:33 pm.
2. **Roll Call:** The following board members were present: Joy Cichewicz, Dan Fleming, John Juriga, Sharon Peters, Linda Priest, and Tanya Stoudemire. Absent and excused: Alma Hughes-Grubbs. Also present: Library Director Mary Jo Suchy.
3. **Approve Agenda:**
Motion by Juriga, seconded by Stoudemire, to approve the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.
4. **Approve June 11, 2024, Regular Meeting Minutes:** Motion by Stoudemire, seconded by Cichewicz, to approve the June 11, 2024, minutes as presented. The motion carried unanimously.
5. **Public Comments:** None.
6. **Committee Reports**
 - A. **Building:** The other flag pole light is broken. The sliding door to the wellness room is sticking. A request was made to get automatic door openers for the public restrooms.
 - B. **Bylaws:** No report.
 - C. **Finance:** No report.
 - D. **Marketing:** No report.
 - E. **Personnel:** The committee met to discuss the personnel policy revisions from the attorney. An updated draft has been sent back to the attorney for further review.
 - F. **Policy:** No report.
 - G. **Art:** No report.
7. **Approve Accounts Payable:** Motion by Cichewicz, seconded by Priest, to approve the accounts payable as presented. The motion carried unanimously.
8. **Director's Report:** See attached. The library is reviving its adult literacy tutoring program and will hold an informational meeting on July 24 at 7 pm for volunteers who are interested in tutoring. Library meeting room use statistics will be added to future director's reports.
9. **Trustee Comments:**

Priest – Went to the Van Buren Community Center grand opening. She is looking forward to volunteering for their theater productions.

Cichewicz – Is running for re-election to the board and asked who else was running. Alma Hughes-Grubbs and Maria Jackson Smith are running. John Juriga has decided not to run.

Stoudemire – Thanked Linda for getting her excited to see the new Community Center.

Thanked Mary Jo for mentioning the handicapped accessible automated doors for the

bathrooms. Her husband has seen people struggling with the doors and hoped the library could explore this option.

Fleming – Uses the library's mobile website and finds the events section to be very easy to use.

Juriga – Announced that this is the 15th year for Music Lakeside. He received feedback from a visitor that our library was one of the most beautiful libraries he has seen.

Announced that he has been experimenting with AI.

10. Chair Comments:

Peters – Thought that Lake Fest was great and was happy to see so much going on in our community.

11. Adjournment:

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