

Emo Public Library  
Regular Board Meeting  
May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2024

1. Meeting called to order at 6:02pm  
Present: Lisa Teeple, Elaine Hughes, Kim Veldhuisen, Harold McQuaker, Phil Schram, Tamara Robson, Marie-Ann DeGroot, and Nick Donaldson (Librarian).
2. There was no conflict of interest declared
3. Quorum: 7/7
4. Motion to approve the agenda was made by Elaine, seconded by Marie-Ann--CARRIED
5. Motion to approve the April 15<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes was made by Tamara, seconded by Marie-Ann--CARRIED
6. Motion to accept the April financial report was made by Phil, seconded by Kim--CARRIED
  
7. Librarian's Report: In April the library had 293 patrons, 478 items were circulated and 549 ebooks and audiobooks circulated online. The library hosted a craft and storytime in partnership with the EarlyON Centre for the Saturday of Spring Fever Days (April 20<sup>th</sup>). 28 children and 19 adults attended.
  
8. a. The librarian updated the Board on the status of his vacation time. He has currently used 10 of the 30 days he needs to this year and by July will have used 14.  
b. There will be another online silent auction fundraiser. The librarian will send out the firm dates to the Board members when they are set.
  
9. a. An updated 2024 budget was presented to the Board with adjustments made now that the contributions from the municipalities and other donations have been received. There was discussion about potential surplus and plans will be made to pay the Township of Emo for the amount owing on the pay equity back-pay. Motion to accept the budget was made by Kim, seconded by Phil--CARRIED.  
b. One application for the summer student position had been received so far. Deadline is June 7<sup>th</sup> at 5pm.  
c. There was discussion on ways to advertise the book sale more including pictures of the actual books to be posted on social media as well as "Monetary Donations Welcome" signs for the entranceway.  
d. There was also more discussion about programming in the library including the idea of partnering with Canadian Mental Health Association of Northwestern Health Unit for classes/talks for the community hosted in the library.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:48pm on a motion made by Marie-Ann, seconded by Harold.