

CAMERON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Thursday, April 16, 2015, 6:30 p.m.

The April meeting of the Cameron Public Library Board of Trustees was called to order by President Linda Morris. Members presented were Barbara Barnes, Mary Bradford, Kent Osborn, Phillip Robinson, Pat Steele, Bob Stoebener, Tim Walley and Librarian JoEllen Pratt.

Minutes from the previous meeting were read and approved as presented.

There were no guests for **Public Participation**.

In the **Librarian's Report** for the January 2015 – March 2015 period there were 118 new memberships accepted with nine paid memberships received.

The **Treasurer's Report** for the January 2015 – March 2015 period:

Beginning Cash Balance:	\$ 98,269.30	
Expenses:	\$ 97,288.65	(City of Cameron loan paid off during this period)
Income:	\$ 88,435.91	(Includes loan for lighting upgrade)
Ending Balance:	\$ 89,416.56	
Total CDS:	\$ 29,187.66	
Total Account Balance:	\$118,604.22	

No new expenses are expected in the next reporting period. The local impact of the possibly release of withheld state funds is still unknown. Members were encouraged to contact Governor Jay Nixon to express the local need for these monies. Emails can be sent to him at governor.mo.gov/contact or phone calls are accepted at **(314) 727-2785**.

In **Unfinished Business** it was reported that the water heater was checked and it was deemed to be in acceptable working condition at this time and will not need to be replaced as speculated. Barbara initiated discussion regarding the replacement of the water fountain in the entry of the library. Many views were shared and the ultimate recommendation was for the librarian to investigate the cost of a water cooler to be placed in the entry area for patron use. It is assumed that this would be an easier and less expensive solution to providing this hospitality. The *ILS Consortium* is expected to be active on April 27, 2015. Many volunteers in addition to the library staff have worked tirelessly to accomplish the preparation needed to move this project to reality.

For **New Business**, JoEllen reported that she is working with The Aiden McVicker Foundation on a late summer project and with the Cameron Area Arts Council on possible projects: Movies in the Park, City Band with an Artist in the Library. The Summer Reading Adventure, *Every Hero Has a Story*, will be held in June and July.

Miscellaneous information shared was regarding the Racing to Read Grant which gave the library the ability to provide books to 132 books to families participating in early childhood screenings and 100 books to children who attended kindergarten screening. Additionally, books are being given through WIC (Women, Infants, and Children) Health Department services, First Steps implementers. It was also announced that a book sale is underway at the library with books selling for 25 cents each.

Tim Walley called for Adjournment and Barbara Barnes seconded. Motion carried.

The next Board Meeting will be held on June 18, 2015 for Budget Review.