Tuesday, September 26, 2023: Open Session

Trustees in Attendance: Echo Alexzander, Diana Brazeale, Janis Hagen, and Allyson Tuckness.

Trustee(s) Absent: Stephanie Sekscinski.

Also present: Alecia Ahart; Rylen Ballard; DeeDee Brashers; Renee Brumett; Jeanne Coburn; Carissa Corson; Elizabeth Dudash-Buskirk; Gretchen Garrity; John Garrity; Representative Jamie Gragg; Mary Hernandez de Carl; Beth Hultz; Jose Hultz; Aileena Keen; David Lee; Mary Miller; Mike Miller; Tory Pegram; David Rice; Dana Roberts; Jennifer Rosebrock; Kelsea Suarez; Matthew Suarez; Lucas Underwood; Don Watson; and several additional unidentified guests.

Christian County Library’s Board of Trustees met for a regular monthly session on Tuesday, September 26, 2023 in the Large Meeting Room of the Nixa Community Branch.

President Allyson Tuckness presided.

Start Time: 6:00 p.m.

Consent Agenda
Janis Hagen moved to approve all items in the consent agenda. Diana Brazeale seconded. All Trustees present were in favor. The motion passed. Roll Call: Trustee Alexzander: Aye; Trustee Brazeale: Aye; and Trustee Hagen: Aye.

Administrative Highlights
Director of Development and Strategic Partnerships Tory Pegram gave an overview of highlights from the library’s now 5 year local history partnership with the Morris family’s Ozark Mill at Finley Farms project.

Old Business
None presented.

New Business
2024 Important Dates
Echo Alexzander moved to approve the 2024 library holidays as presented. Janis Hagen seconded. All Trustees present were in favor. The motion passed. Roll Call: Trustee Alexzander: Aye; Trustee Brazeale: Aye; and Trustee Hagen: Aye.

Janis Hagen moved to approve the 2024 meeting dates as presented. Diana Brazeale seconded. All Trustees present were in favor. The motion passed. Roll Call: Trustee Alexzander: Aye; Trustee Brazeale: Aye; and Trustee Hagen: Aye.

Memorandum of Understanding with Missouri State Highway Patrol (tentative)
Executive Director Brumett explained the details of this exciting opportunity to fill an urgent community need by partnering with the Missouri State Highway Patrol to use a portion of the newly acquired Annex side of the Nixa Community Branch as a testing office. Three of the Troopers who manage the testing site explained that the Nixa location is the busiest in the region - often serving 150 or more new drivers per day.

Public Comments
This month speakers included: Jeanne Coburn, Carissa Corson, Elizabeth Dudash-Buskirk, Jamie Ray Gragg, Mary Hernandez de Carl, Aileena Keen, David Lee, David Rice, Jennifer Rosebrock, and Lucas Underwood.

Adjournment
The meeting was adjourned by the presiding Chair at 7:05 p.m.