

Tuesday, February 27, 2024: Open Session

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

Trustee(s) Absent: Stephanie Sekscinski.

Christian County Library's Board of Trustees met for a regular monthly session on Tuesday, February 27, 2024 in the Large Meeting Room of the Nixa Community Branch. 51 members of the community were present.

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

Executive Director Brumett presented the library's 2023 annual report and key use statistics.

Old Business

Library Advocacy Day

Executive Director Brumett and Trustees Alexzander and Brazeale reported on another year of successful meetings with the county's elected legislators at library advocacy day in Jefferson City.

New Business

Non-Resident Patron Fee Discussion

Trustees discussed the current \$20 annual fee charged to non-resident households to use the library's resources and a variety of possible ways to reformulate that annual cost so that it continues to be fair and affordable, while making it more comparable to what county residents pay through taxes. Executive Director Brumett will research options and bring a proposal to the Board later this year for further review.

Facilities Update

Executive Director Brumett updated Trustees on the vast variety of facilities fixes and future needs planning being addressed by the library's new Director of IT and Facilities in his first few months in that expanded role.

Public Comments

This month speakers included: Kevin Bright, Wanetta Bright, Elizabeth Dudash Buskirk, Mary Hernández de Carl, Aileena Keen, James McDonald, Mike Miller, and David Rice.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by the presiding Chair at 7:11 p.m.