## Spring Green Community Library Board Meeting Tuesday, July 10, 2018

The meeting was called to order by Sue Meise at 4:30 PM in compliance with the Open Meeting Law

Present: Sue Meise, Linda Thering, Linda Kettner, Ray Kepler, Ed Lilla, Carrie Portz (director)

Absent: Dave Riek, Vern Demers

**Guest:** Bridget Roberts

**Agenda:** Linda Thering moved to accept the agenda, seconded by Ray Kepler. Motion carried. **Minutes:** Linda Kettner moved to accept the minutes from the previous meeting, seconded by Ray Kepler. Motion carried.

**Treasurer & Financial Report:** Ray Kepler moved to accept these reports, seconded by Ed Lilla. Motion carried.

Approval of Bills: Linda Thering moved to approve the bills, seconded by Ed Lilla. Motion carried. Directors Report: Carrie Portz distributed her report and went over it. The data looks good. Carrie reported on grants that our children's librarian has applied for. The summer reading program is going well. We have a couple of adult programs coming up. There was a staff meeting recently reviewing "enlightened hospitality" and values that the staff brings to their work. Carrie asked if we are interested in working on Strategic Planning. Sue suggested we start by seeing what plan Sauk County had. It was suggested that we look at other libraries' plans. Carrie will get us some copies of various plans to look at. A steering committee has been looking at library system services. They are trying to make library service more equitable. Ray Kepler asked for input from the board on roof replacement. Ray will get together with Carson Feiner for input about the roof and solar panels. He will get back to us with details.

**Friends Update:** They are focusing on the community garage sale. There will also be a book sale in the library at that time.

## **Old Business**

- -Update on Library Garden and Landscaping: Carrie is still looking for someone to come up with a plan.
- **-Update on Thanking Bloomin' Buddies:** A poster was hung up In the Community Room and an ad was run in the Home News.
- **-Update and Discussion of Library Board Appointments:** The village board approved Ed Lilla's appointment. Linda Kettner's appointment has been approved by the village board pending approval by the school board. Carrie had a couple of suggestions for someone to replace Dave Riek. Carrie will approach these people.

## **New Business**

- -Meeting Room & Bulletin Board Policy Review: The current policies were distributed for discussion. We will keep the Community Room policy the same. Carrie has had some issues/problems with our current bulletin board policy. Some decisions seem discriminating. She distributed copies of bulletin board policies from 2 other libraries. Carrie will continue to work on this policy.
- -Discussion of Library Fines and Trends: Carrie distributed some information about library fines. Many libraries are going fine free. The DPI is in favor of libraries being fine free. The debate nationally is that

fines are prohibiting people from using the libraries. Many libraries are having amnesty days. We will continue to investigate this item.

**General Public Comment:** Bridget Roberts commented on libraries fines and feels this is difficult subject to bring up with patrons. She likes the idea of no fines. She also likes the idea of building up to this and having an opening celebration to start it. It would be a goodwill gesture.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, August 7, 2018 at 5:00 PM

Adjournment: Ray Kepler moved to adjourn this meeting, seconded by Linda Thering. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted, Linda Kettner