Minutes of a Special Meeting of the
Alpena County George N. Fletcher Public Library
Board of Trustees

Call to Order: A special meeting of the Alpena County Library Board of Trustees was called to order on Thursday, April 2nd, 2020 at 3:31 p.m. by President Joseph Garber.

Present:
Via Telephone:
   Trustees: Mark Hunter, Ron Meneghel, Tammy Thomson
Via Videoconference:
   Trustees: Joseph Garber, Kimberley Krajniak
   Staff: Eric Magness-Eubank, Beth DeCaire, Jessica Luther

Old Business:

A. COVID-19- It is anticipated that the State of Emergency closing libraries will be extended past April 30th. Magness-Eubank recommended continuing to pay staff their wages based upon their average hours worked prior to the closure through whatever closure end date is declared while they work from home. Meneghel moved to adopt the recommendation with support from Hunter. Garber called a roll call vote to adopt the measure.
   Garber: Ayes
   Hunter: Aye
   Krajniak: Aye
   Meneghel: Aye
   Thomson: Aye

B. Building Update- Magness-Eubank stated that he is unsure how the current State of Emergency will impact the building project timeline. He shared that there was a meeting with Quinn Evans last week to discuss the Children and Teens’ areas. He reached out to the asbestos abatement company, however, they are closed due to the COVID-19 restrictions. He stated that the lease for the Special Collections temporary space is postponed until May 1st. He expressed concern that the current conditions may impact penal fines revenue.

Other: Hunter asked if the member of the public at the February 19th meeting had submitted her concerns in writing as was discussed at the meeting. Magness-Eubank stated that she had not done so but that since the closure of the Library she appeared at a staff member’s home to inquire about the feeding of the fish in the aquarium in the Children’s Department. It was expressed that a future discussion may need to be had regarding steps that might be taken to curb the patron’s inappropriate behavior.
Adjournment: President Garber declared the meeting adjourned at 3:57 p.m. The next regular meeting will be Wednesday, April 15th at 4:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Mark Hunter
Secretary
(signed by Jessica Luther on behalf of Mark Hunter due to COVID-19 restrictions)

Jessica Luther
Recording Secretary