Library Advisory Board Meeting
January 23, 2019
Minutes
Members Present: Elaine Ebeling (chair), Leigh Rupinski (secretary), Patti Walcott, Margaret Wheeler, Barb VanderVeen (Township Board representative), Kristen Borgman

I. Call to Order
II. Approval of the agenda
III. Approval of the previous meeting minutes
IV. Director’s Report
   A. Fines Free Update
      1. As of January 1st, fine fee
      2. Feedback has been very positive
      3. Too soon for circulation statistics
   B. 2019 Statistics
      1. More renewals thanks to automatic renewal
      2. Increase in Electronic material checkouts
      3. Physical library visits down - impact of flood
   C. Literacy Packs
      1. Just started circulating - five to start
      2. Backpack kit to help kids starting to read on their own - each pack is themed
      3. Response to Read By Grade Three law to build literacy skills
      4. Positive response so far
   D. Health and Safety Update
      1. Monthly safety checklist
      2. Active shooter training on 1/22
      3. Fire inspection done
   E. Winter Reading
      1. Going on right now! Kids and adult programs
      2. 59 class visits to promote

V. Old business
   A. Friends of the Library Update
      1. 2 meetings so far
      2. Elected a President, Dawn
      3. 1st project will be a used book sale this fall, during Fall Festival
      4. Sticker designing contest
   B. Book Club report
      1. Increased attendance at the last meeting

VI. New business
   A. Election of Officers
      1. Margaret Wheeler will be chair
      2. Patti Walcott will be secretary
B. Select dates for 2020 Library Board Meetings
   1. March 19th
   2. June 18th
   3. September 17th

VII. Public Comments
   A. Tallmadge Township representation
   B. Harrison’s report on Ashley’s classroom visit - she did a wonderful job!

VIII. Adjournment