

**PEABODY PUBLIC LIBRARY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
May 11, 2022**

The Library Board of Trustees met at 6:00 p.m. with the following in attendance:  
Chris Bechtold, Beth Bloom, Nicki Baker, Carmen Jagger and Director Mary Hartman.

**CALL TO ORDER**

The regular business meeting was called to order by Vice-President Nicki Baker.

**MINUTES**

Minutes of the regular April Board meeting were approved.

**A motion to approve was made by Chris Bechtold.  
Seconded by Beth Bloom. Motion carried.**

**REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES AND DIRECTOR**

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Christie Whitton will no longer be working weekends, she will now be working Monday through Friday.

The Periodical Room will be switched over to the Library of Things and will house the various realia that are available for check out by patrons.

The MOU (Memorandum of Understanding) draft between the Board of Trustees and the Executive Director was briefly discussed with no further recommendations.

The PPL Bylaws will be approved at the June board meeting.

Sweetwater Sound will be doing an upgrade to the lighting and sound system in the Auditorium, the estimate is \$11,000.

The interview process for the Temporary Summer Reading Clerk will be next week.

The water heater booster has been unplugged which will hopefully reduce the therm usage for Nipsco and reduce the high heating costs.

The Wish List for possible/potential projects was discussed with additional suggestions given for the renovation of the restrooms and a water bottle filling station with filtered water. The list will be updated with pricing for discussion at the June board meeting.

PHP Level Solutions (employee insurance) quarterly report statistics were shared with the Board.

A patron who had library privileges discontinued wishes to speak with the Board at the June meeting and will be given the approved guidelines for talking to the Board.

### **CLAIMS**

The Nipsco bill was discussed, hopefully we will see the charges reduced on the May bill with the hot water booster being disconnected and the weather changes.

**A motion to approve the May claims and payroll was made by Carmen Jagger. Seconded by Chris Bechtold. Motion carried.**

### **ADJOURNMENT**

**Beth Bloom moved to adjourn. Seconded by Carmen Jagger. Motion carried.**

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Bloom, Secretary