President Katie Gillespie called to order the Regular Meeting of the Grafton-Midview Public Library Board of Trustees at 7:01 pm. Roll call: Katie Gillespie, Ed Greenwald, Angela Carter, Chris Smith, John Dixon, Joe Urig and Evelyn Hemmingsen. Library Director Adele Infante, Fiscal Officer Lorie Scheer, and Library staff member Tawnja Hammond also attended.

Recognition of Visitors

Katie Gillespie welcomed Brenda Jalowiec, Secretary of the Friends of GMPL.

Comments by the President

Katie inquired about help provided by the community to victims of the recent Grafton fire. Discussion followed. She also remarked on the positive things happening at the library. Discussion followed regarding the Library flip project and possible dates of completion.

Public Comments

Chris Smith reminded board members to check out the display of historical currency on the second floor.

Regular Meeting Minutes

Joe Urig moved, and Chris Smith seconded to accept Resolution # 19-4-1, approving the meeting minutes as presented from the Board of Trustees Regular Meeting on March 12, 2019. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Special Meeting Minutes

Angela Carter moved, and Ed Greenwald seconded to accept Resolution # 19-4-2, approving the meeting minutes as amended from the Board of Trustees Special Meeting on March 25, 2019. All voted aye. Motion carried.

Fiscal Officer’s Report

Fiscal Officer Lorie Scheer presented and reviewed the following financial reports: Bank Report, Revenue Report, Expense Report, and Check Register for March 2019. Discussion followed.

President Katie Gillespie stated the March 2019 financial reports were received, reviewed, and ready to file for audit.
Director's Report

Adele discussed upcoming events featured in the next newsletter. The Summer Reading Program kick-off is June 1 at Midview Middle School gym. On July 26th the Library brings a car show and concert to Willow Park.

Adele reported on the progress of the Library’s strategic plan. A focus group, comprised of 23 attendees met on April 8 in the Community Room at the Library as part of the strategic planning process. Participants included business owners, patrons and professionals from the service area. Betsy Lantz, executive director of Northeast Ohio Regional Library System (NEO-RLS) led the focus group meeting with questions to gather new ideas and suggestions to meet the needs of the community. Some of the comments/suggestions shared by the group were:

- More family library programs
- Farmers Market
- Community Garden
- Local social service programs needed
- Parking Lot
- Need for cohesiveness with the north and south part of town
- An effort to bring all townships to work together on special events

Once all the data is compiled into a report, Betsy will hold a meeting with Adele to share the results and discuss the next step.

Adele reminded Board members the community surveys for the new strategic plan are due April 15th.

Friends member Brenda Jalowiec reported she sent out 180 surveys from the Friends mailing list.

The Board retreat for strategic planning is scheduled for May 13th from 4:30 – 8:30 pm.

Credit Card Policy

Adele brought up the need to make a minor change in the current credit card policy. Discussion followed.

Angela Carter moved, and Ed Greenwald seconded to accept Resolution # 19-4-3, approving an amendment to the credit card policy by providing the Adult Services Associate a credit card with a $500.00 limit. All voted aye. Motion carried. See attached amended policy.

Building Committee

Discussion of the flip project, drawings, and deadlines were discussed.

Adjournment
With no additional action taken, Katie Gillespie called for adjournment of the meeting at 7:49 pm.

Chairperson

Attest