

Minutes of the Fairbury Public Library Board

Wednesday January 6, 2016

7:00 pm

601 7th Street, Fairbury, NE 68352

The regular meeting of the Public Library Board of Trustees was called to order by president, Kristin Vaughn. Members present were LeAnn Krause, Patricia Tedrow, and Kristin Vaughn, Warner Krumme, and Stan Smith. Our director Debbie Aden was also present.

Notice of this meeting was posted in advance in the Fairbury Journal News. The Open Meetings Act was posted in the room as required by law.

There were no comments from the public.

The December 2nd minutes were reviewed by all. A motion was made by Warner that the minutes be approved as written. Patricia seconded. A "yes" vote by Kristin, Patricia, Warner and LeAnn, motion carried. Stan abstained.

The Director's Report:

Siebe's were out to clean the gutters on December 4th. They did not finish the job at that time, and did not notify Debbie of that fact. On December 23rd, with the steady rain, we had water leak into the basement. Siebe's was called, and this is when Debbie was advised of the incomplete job. He did tell her they would be back out, but due to weather for the winter, it may not be until spring.

There was some greenery and lights put out for the holiday season.

Wayne was finally able to get the lock installed on the children's side drawer, and Debbie got an estimate from Diode on the panic buttons.

Debbie said they had very good results of the "mitten tree." Over 200 articles were donated, and delivered to the elementary schools before the holidays. An Overdrive informational session is going to meet on Thursday January 21st.

Elaine and Linda came back from the annual Summer Reading Workshop in Lincoln brimming with ideas and crafts for the summer reading program. Debbie attended the CASTL meeting in Fairmont. She learned to arm knit there and plans to have a workshop sometime. Circulation policies were discussed, but nothing needs to be changes with our policy at this time.

Scott Childers from SELS was in Fairbury on December 3rd to work with Debbie and Linda on the website. It is now mostly up to date and in working order, and looks good. Debbie has been working on the Bibliostat reports. In November, Windstream took over billing for the city accounts. Our E-Rate is set up with NT&T so she will have to go back to that. Apollo and Overdrive have been integrated. Now all the Overdrive titles show up in our card catalog.

Agenda Items:

- **LR 288** is a legislative bill to be introduced that concerns cities taking over the libraries. There would no longer be a board that controls such things as library hours or books that could be banned, the city would have power of those decisions. Our library operates just fine as is, we don't expect this to become a problem for our library. Open lines of communication need to be maintained between parties. Our city council has not mentioned this, and may not even know about it.
- **Estimate** for the panic buttons came in at \$900. This is for 2 buttons, one for each side of the library. If we are set up on an auto dialer, there is NO monthly fee after installation and calls go straight to the police department. Debbie was going to speak with Collin to see about getting it installed and paid for.
- **CASTL** meeting is in Milford this month and concerns applying for grants.
- **Director's Evaluation-** Debbie's six month evaluation came due and we are happy to say she will be staying, and is doing a terrific job! She has satisfactory marks in each field from Administrative, Collection Development, Circulation, Public Services, and Personnel-Training. The only "in progress" marks were in the annual budget and in applying for grants, neither of which she has completed here yet.

There was no other business and our meeting was adjourned.

The next regular meeting will be held on February 3, 2016, at 7 pm in the Fairbury Public Library.

Respectfully submitted,

LeAnn Krause