Minutes of the Fairbury Public Library Board

Wednesday January 4, 2-17

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 and Stan Smith. Patricia Tedrow and Warner Krumme were absent. 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 7th minutes were reviewed by all. A motion was made by LeAnn that the minutes be approved as written. Stan seconded. A yes vote by all. Motion carried.

The Director's Report:

Due to Linda's office being very cold in the winter and hot in the summer the topic of a window heating and air unit was discussed. Even with a space heater her office doesn't get much above the low 60's. Stan made a motion that Debbie go ahead and look into the costs of a unit, and if there was installation, and or wiring that would need updated. LeAnn seconded the motion. A yes vote by all. Motion carried.

The internet speed still poses some problems. Debbie has filled out a form for E-Rate, and will find about the cost of additional internet at the library.

The craft program in December was poorly attended by adults. Only 2 came in addition to the children that were there for story time. The mitten tree collected a large trash bag of goods that will be delivered to the schools this week. The library received the 225th anniversary of the Bill of Rights display. It is currently on the adult side.

Debbie attended the December CASTL meeting, and learned how to make ornaments from old books.

Debbie and Lauren are working on inventory on the adult side of the library. Debbie has also started working on the Bibliostats report for the state. New Nebraska and American flags are at the library. Debbie is waiting for better weather to put them out.

Bills for the month of January, in the amount of $14,964.78 were reviewed. Stan made a motion to approve the bills. LeAnn seconded. A yes vote by all. Motion carried.

Agenda Items:

1. After having Scott Childers come down and speak we are at 19 hours for the board. Only one more needed. LeAnn will double check her list against Debbie's to be sure all are accounted for.
2. Board membership to the NLA was discussed. Seeing no perks for the library or for each individual, the board members declined to join. Debbie is wondering if the cost is worth the membership of the library employees.

3. The Patron Record and Privacy Policy was reviewed and discussed. Some minor changes had been made to not only include protection of a patrons reading materials, but of the patrons themselves. Library staff may not disclose whether a patron is in the library. LeAnn made a motion to approve the policy as written. Stan seconded. A yes vote by all. Motion carried.
4. There is a CASTL meeting in Tecumseh on January 19th that Debbie would like to attend.

There was no further business or discussion. Meeting was adjourned.

The next regular meeting of the board will be held February 1, 2017.

Respectfully submitted,

LeAnn Krause