

Minutes of the Fairbury Public Library Board
Wednesday May 3, 2023
7:00 pm
601 7th Street, Fairbury, NE 68352

1. The regular meeting of the Public Library Board of Trustees was called to order by President, Kristin Vaughn. 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.

2. In addition to Kristin, LeAnn Krause, and Stan Smith. Eric Borch was absent. Warner Krumme was present via phone. Our director Debbie Aden was also present.

3. There were no comments from the public.

4. The April 5th minutes were reviewed. A motion was made by Stan that the minutes be approved as written. Warner seconded. Votes were as follows: Kristin, yes; Stan, yes; and LeAnn, yes. Motion carried.

5. Director's Report:

Building:

- Still having conversations with Paul Schramm about finishing the pillar/carpet work. Is going to try and complete before school gets out

- New bike rack installed by city. It is much smaller than the previous one.

- Diller Electric installed LED lighting on both sides of the library, and added new fixtures to the bathrooms.

- Pollman's changed filters on unit in the ceiling. Hadn't been changed since July 2021. That's what happens

when they don't have to keep coming out to repair it. I have asked to just be put on a quarterly maintenance plan.

- Barber's asked to replace carpet squares in staff area on north side (by Linda's desk and circulation area).

They suggested putting a "tougher" carpet behind there and leading to the door, but after looking at the color

choices decided it wouldn't look very good. They have not been back to replace the tiles.

- Mike Siebe is going to install a downspout in the SW corner of the north side to see if that helps with our water problem. He doesn't think it will (he thinks it is the roof), but there is no harm in trying this first.

- Handrail on Carnegie side is broken at the top of the stairs

Technology:

- Password put back on public WIFI

- Black and white printer not working for several days. First from no toner (replacement was defective), then from connectivity issues resulting from Stan doing work under my desk.

- My computer is randomly shutting down. Stan working on the problem.

City Business:

- Still do not have a City Administrator.

Library Events and Programming:

- Summer Reading sign-up begins May 8

Director Activities:

- Odessa Ambrose next door called the Sheriff Department on Wed, April 26 about suspicious activity on her property and by the air conditioning units east of the library. Checked security cameras and a man dropped a backpack off hidden behind the unit and a couple of hours later a different man picked it up. I called the Sheriff to report that we had video of the activity.
- Participated in Broadband focus group with State's new Broadband Director (virtual)
- PLTS obligations: Spring meetings, April 11 in Lincoln; April 13 by Zoom
- Have not been able to meet with the mayor regarding the 5-year plan as it is planting season.
- Finished weeding the adult fiction
- Worked on getting the adult summer reading program put together
- Stats seem to be down all across the board. Hopefully with summer reading on the horizon it will bring people back in.

6. Bills in the amount of \$8,340.66 reviewed. A motion was made by LeAnn that the bills be approved. Stan seconded. Votes were as follows: LeAnn, yes; Stan, yes; Warner, yes and Kristin, yes. Motion carried.

7. Old Business: The Board Members successfully completed the required hours for accreditation.

8. New Business: The Internet and Computer Use policy was reviewed by the board members present. Debbie made no changes. A motion was made by Stan that the policy be approved. Kristin seconded. Votes were as follows: LeAnn, yes; Stan, yes; Warner, yes and Kristin, yes. Motion carried. Debbie has received a grant to help with her expenses for the upcoming ARSL in Wichita in September. Debbie has an upcoming CASTL meeting in Davenport on May 18th. She also has an Apollo users group meeting in Seward on May 24th.

9. There was no further business. The next regular meeting will be held June 7, 2023.

10. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

LeAnn Krause