

Minutes of the Fairbury Public Library Board

Wednesday November 2, 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, and Patricia Tedrow, Stan Smith, and Warner Krumme. 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 October 5th minutes were reviewed by all. A motion was made by Stan that the minutes be approved as written. Patricia seconded. Motion carried.

The Director's Report:

Pollman's never came out to check on children's side AC, Debbie called and cancelled them and called Noakes' who have not been out yet either. Debbie will call to remind them. A lightbulb was replaced in one of the lamps out front on the South side. Alan Dux was out to trim trees and they should not need trimmed for many years. Shelly Luehring is painting the handrails on the adult side, as well as sealing the benches. Sprinklers have been turned off for the season, and Siebe's were in to clean the gutters, a youth group from a local church came out and picked up walnuts and trimmed down lilies on west side.

Diode was out to access the internet speed. There was a vast difference from their equipment connected directly through them, than through our server. It looks as though we need a new server, Debbie will check with Stan to see exactly what our needs are, and take them to the Foundation.

The Halloween party brought in around 200 guests, Lauren and Linda gave out pencils at Trunk or Treat. Some new Accu-cut dies in a Christmas theme. A craft program for all ages will be offered on December 10th. Debbie and Lauren are working on a book tree for the Festival of Trees.

Lauren and Debbie attended the Apollo workshop, and learned about a lot of things that Apollo will do that we don't take advantage of. Debbie and Linda attended the NALC in Omaha, where Linda was awarded the Beginning Professional award. CASTL was held in Wilber, Debbie went alone.

Agenda Items

Scott Childers from SELS is coming to our December board meeting. He will work that day in the library, observing daily activities. He will present an hour of continuing ed for board members at the meeting.

The biannual review of the Strategic Plan was done. There were four sections:

Financial Literacy- This objective is partially completed. Approximately 50% of the financial collection has been weeded, and new titles have been added. This will be an ongoing process.

Teen Programming- No progress has been made in this category. There has been continued contact with the FYI Center, but no resolution.

Access to Educational Opportunities as Related to Job Skills- this is incomplete, as the info base was not being used it has been discontinued. Progress has been made in the area of increasing staff time by opening the library an additional hour on Saturdays.

Public Awareness- this is ongoing, news articles have been submitted to the local news agencies, but the staff is not writing a regular article for them, only for the newsletter. The library is low on FB likes for this period, patrons need to be encouraged to "Like our Page." The library's website is up, and functional. This will be an ongoing goal as well.

The only upcoming training/workshops is the CASTL meeting in David City this month.

There was no other business or discussion.

The next regular meeting of the Library Board of Trustees will be held December 7, 2016, at the Fairbury Public Library.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

LeAnn Krause