

Minutes of the Fairbury Public Library Board

Wednesday November 6, 2019

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, Stan Smith and Eric Borch. Warner Krumme was 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 October 2nd minutes were reviewed. A motion was made by Eric that the minutes be approved as written. Kristin seconded. Votes were as follows: LeAnn, yes; Kristin, yes; Stan, yes, and Eric, yes. Motion carried.

The Director's Report:

Building:

- Still working on getting the glue from the stairs removed.
- Removed some of the bushes from in front of the Carnegie. They are overgrown and trash collects under them. Snow removal is also difficult where they poke through the fence.
- Next summer Simpson will no longer be mowing lawns so I will need to find someone new
- Petersen's replaced the toilet in the men's room. The jets were clogged with hard water build up which didn't allow the toilet to flush efficiently resulting in frequent clogs and overflows.

Technology:

- Computers Plus repaired the black and white printer (new roller) at the adult circulation desk.

Library Events and Programming:

- Charlotte Endorf at the Bonham with the Quilt Guild was extremely successful with about 65 people attending
- About 75 kids, and 85 total people, attended the annual Halloween party.
- Holding a Holiday Craft Event on December 3

Workshop Updates:

- NLA conference in Omaha
- October CASTL in Wymore where we talked about Library Board minutes
- Debbie attended an "Apple a Day" workshop in Seward to learn the best and most reliable sources to help patrons' access medical information.
- Linda Dux attended a "Read Across Nebraska" workshop in Seward

Director Activities:

- Clean up and sorting from the book sale. We made almost \$400 during the sale.
- Attending a series of online Webinars for a Citizen Science project, Spotty Rain. I have obtained a free rain gage and am hoping to work it into a STEM program at the library.

Bills in the amount of \$25,039.59 were reviewed. A motion was made by LeAnn that the bills be approved and paid as written. Stan seconded. Votes were as follows: LeAnn, yes; Stan, yes; Eric, yes; and Kristin, yes. Motion carried.

Agenda Items:

1. Discussion was held about having the library close at 4:00 pm on the Friday after Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve, and New Year's Eve. LeAnn made a motion to have the Library close at 4:00 pm on the days listed above every year. Eric seconded. Votes were as follows: LeAnn, yes; Stan, yes; Eric, yes; and Kristin, yes. Motion carried.
2. CASTL meeting sheets were approved and signed by Kristin for meetings in Geneva for November and Nebraska City in December.

There was no further discussion. The next regular board meeting will be held on December 4, 2019.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

LeAnn Krause