

Ashland Public Library Board of Trustees
Regular Meeting
May 20, 2015
Approved Minutes

Notice is hereby given that the regular meeting of the Ashland Public Library Board of Trustees was held at the Ashland Public Library, 1324 Silver Street, Ashland, NE on Wednesday, May 20, 2015, at 6:00 PM. This meeting was open to the public, and the public was encouraged to attend. An agenda for the meeting was available for public inspection at the library.

The meeting was called to order at 6:05 PM by Chris Gossin, President.

Members present:

Chris Gossin, President
Michelle Powell, Vice President
Leslie Gerdes, Secretary
Heather St.Clair, Library Director
Nicole Chudomelka, Trustee

Members absent:

Tom Walsh, Trustee

Chris noted the Open Meetings Act posted on the west wall of the small conference room.

Public Comments: None

Agenda:

Leslie made a motion to approve the agenda, Nicole seconded, and all voted in favor so the motion carried.

Minutes:

Nicole moved that we approve the minutes from the April meeting and Chris seconded the motion. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

Financial Report:

Nicole made a motion to accept the financial report as presented. Michelle seconded the motion and all voted in favor to carry the motion.

Director's Report

The library is gearing up for summer, and had the opportunity to promote the reading program to 8 elementary classes before school was dismissed. Weekly storytime and movies will be offered for younger kids as well as therapy dogs for reluctant readers. Audiobook storytime for upper elementary and special activities for middle school and older, will provide many opportunities for patrons.

New Business

a. Budget

Heather needs to submit any budget requests for the next year to the city by 5/31/15. She will request an additional 40 hours per week for staffing as well as 15 hours per week for janitorial staff.

b. Independence Day Closures

Independence Day falls on a Saturday this year, therefore, the city offices will be closed on Friday, July 3. Since the library is an entity of the city it will also be closed. Chris made a motion to require the library to be closed on July 3, 2015 and July 4, 2015 in observance of Independence Day according to city policy. Michelle seconded the motion, all in attendance voted in favor of the motion and it passed.

Old Business

a. ~~Library Card Policy~~--Temporary, Computer Use Only Cards

After a discussion, the board decided that temporary cards and cards for computer use only would be a hassle and not necessary. We will stand by the current policy that an annual library card for people outside of the school district costs \$25.

b. Electronic Sign Policy--tabled

c. Use of the Computer Room for Events Policy--tabled

d. Emergency and Safety Policy--tabled

e. Library Core Values--tabled

Meeting was adjourned at 7:09 PM by Chris.

The next meeting date will be a regular meeting on June 17th at 6:00 PM, in the small meeting room of the ACRC.

Minutes submitted by Leslie Gerdes