

## HOLDREGE AREA PUBLIC LIBRARY – BOARD MINUTES – FEBRUARY 2, 2021

The regularly scheduled board meeting of the Holdrege Area Public Library was called to order by President Bev Rehm, in the Conference Room at 4:00 p.m. on February 2, 2021. The meeting was conducted in compliance with the Nebraska Public/Open Meeting Law, posted on the bulletin board in the Conference Room. The following members were present: Bev Rehm, Nancy Morse, Annette Sindt, Sandi Ericson, Jennifer Sand, Sue Christensen and Mike Burris. John Sauder, Shirley Butz and Lynn McPheron were absent.

**MINUTES:** The minutes of the January 5, 2021 meeting were reviewed and approved.

**PUBLIC FORUM:** There was no Public Forum. See January's minutes regarding Kara Faber's plans regarding a feasibility study.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** The Financial Report was given by Mike Burris as printed in the agenda. Mike stated that he tries to buy books that other libraries do not have. These books are sometimes used by out of county patrons and this gives us some reimbursement. It was moved by Sue Christensen and seconded by Sandi Ericson to approve the Financial Report. Motion passed by a unanimous vote.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS:** The monthly bills, listed in the Balance Sheet and Expenses by Vendor Detail Report were reviewed by the board. It was moved by Annette Sindt and seconded by Jennifer Sand to approve the bills. Motion passed by a unanimous vote.

### **DIRECTORS REPORT and BUSINESS:**

1. Bev Rehm and Mike Burris met with the county commissioners to report on the state of the library last year.
2. Library visits are down and Mike is looking at ways to increase use of the library. One idea is to host art exhibits by local artists.
3. The Library was closed due to weather two days since the last Board Meeting.
4. The Elevator is still non-functional. Mike is strictly following up with the service company.
5. Mike is looking into digital read-along books for Overdrive. When purchased, they will be advertised on Facebook.
6. Valentine's day will be celebrated with "Blind date with a book".
7. Mike is doing more staff training and is asking for their ideas to increase visits.
8. See the written Director's Report for details.

It was moved by Annette Sindt and seconded by Sue Christensen to adjourn at 4:30 p.m. Motion passed by a unanimous vote.

Respectfully Submitted, Nancy Morse, Secretary