STROMSBURG PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

April 20, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 P.M. by Chairman Chris Tordrup. Present in addition were Board Members: Bob Greenwall, Bob Johnson, and Library Director Monica Tidyman. Jill Eller arrived after roll call. Absent was Sherri Georges. Tordrup acknowledged that a copy of the Nebraska Open meeting Law was posted and available for inspection.

Minutes of Previous Meetings

A motion was made by Johnson seconded by Tordrup to approve the minutes of the February and March minutes. Motion carried with the following votes: Johnson-"aye," Greenwall- "aye," Tordrup-"aye."

Report of the Director

Library Director Tidyman presented her report, attached, and commented that the dehumidifier had been installed in the basement and was running. Also she pointed out that the posters of the Flippin display had been hung above the entrance to the meeting room as planned. She fielded questions about the Pioneer group which jointly provides a common library checkout system called COHA. Also new folding chairs for meetings had been purchased by the Library Foundation.

Approval of Expenses

The current expenses to date were examined. A motion was made by Greenwall, seconded by Johnson, to approve the expenses. Motion carried with the following votes: Johnson-"aye," Greenwall- "aye," Eller- "aye," Tordrup- "aye.

Unfinished Business

Chairman Tordrup displayed a letter from Nielsen-Mayne Architects indicating options for the basement, specifically the costs that would be involved with a retractable wall for the meeting room. He will contact city officials to get their input on the process going forward.

New Business: Budget Proposal

The Director presented a complete report of recommended budget adjustments along with reasons and explanations which the group considered item by item (displayed). Meeting with the approval of the board, a motion was made by Eller, seconded by Johnson, to approve the budget requests. Motion carried with the following votes: Johnson-"aye," Greenwall- "aye," Eller- "aye," Tordrup- "aye.

In other new business, A motion was made by Greenwall, seconded by Johnson, to approve a \$50 expenditure to replace three bushes on the west side of the building. Motion carried with the following votes: Johnson-"aye," Greenwall- "aye," Eller- "aye," Tordrup- "aye.

A motion was made by Greenwall, seconded by Johnson, to transfer Fusby fund interest to the bulding and grounds account. Motion carried with the following votes: Johnson-"aye," Greenwall-"aye," Eller-"aye," Tordrup-"aye.

Conferences and Workshops

Bob Johnson reported briefly on the recent seminar held at the Seward Library on the subject of Library Policy development. Upcoming workshops are listed on the Director's report.

Adjournment

Johnson moved and Greenwall seconded a motion to adjourn. The motion passed with the following votes: Georges-"aye," Eller-"aye," Johnson-"aye," Greenwall- "aye," Tordrup-"aye."

Submitted by Bob Greenwall

Stromsburg Public Librarians Report

April 20, 2016

Circulation

March 2016-761/March 2015-702

OverDrive-

March 2016-282/March 2015-128

March 2016 Statistics

Library Visitors-444
Computer Users-69
New OverDrive Users-1
Copy Machine-9
Fax-7
Microfilm-9
Accu-Cut-0
Laminator-1
Wi-fi-22

Materials Added/Deleted in March 2016

Books-38/-112 (mostly non-fiction) DVD's-4

Activities in March:

The Other Book Club-1
Book Club-8
Preschool Story Hour-18
Genealogy Club-4
Timberlake Care-Act-R program-0
LEGO Day-0
Craft Day-3

Meeting Room

Friends Meeting-9 Polk County Libraries Meeting-6 Swedish Festival Meeting-6

Director's Report

- -I approached the Stromsburg Public Library Foundation about purchasing some of the black folding chairs for the library to help provide seating during Swedish Festival. They have held a special meeting and voted on purchasing 20 chairs which arrived last week.
- -The Book Fair was sparsely attended this year. We should still receive a fair amount of Scholastic Dollars, but we are discussing how to increase attendance.
- -We had a glitch in Smart Shield which required two days of technical calls to fix. This is the reason we pay the maintenance fee each year! So worth the \$50.