

STROMSBURG PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
August 19, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 P.M. by Chairman Chris Tordrup. Present in addition were Board Members: Bob Greenwall, Jessica Vorthmann and Library Director Monica Tidyman. Absent were Jill Eller and Bob Johnson. A copy of the Nebraska Open Meeting Law was posted and available for inspection.

Minutes of Previous Meetings

A motion was made (Vorthmann) and seconded (Tordrup) to approve the minutes of the July, 2019 meeting with a spelling correction. Motion carried with all "ayes" (Greenwall, Tordrup, Vorthmann).

Correspondence and Communications none noted

Report of the Director

Library Director Tidyman presented her report as distributed. She noted that the summer reading program attendance was above last year. Need for more library supplies was probable for next year.

Approval of Expenses

The current expenses to date were examined. A motion was made by Tordrup, seconded by Greenwall, to approve the expenses. Motion carried with all "ayes" (Greenwall, Tordrup, Vorthmann).

Unfinished Business

A steering committee of five for the basement development had been suggested, and names of potential members were discussed. Specifics of a planned transition from the existing Pioneer library system service to the Apollo library system were outlined by the Director with documents from each provider. A grant will be sought to defray expenses associated with the transition.

New Business (none)

Adjournment

A motion was made (Tordrup) and seconded (Greenwall) to adjourn. Motion carried with all "ayes." The next regular meeting date would be September 16.

Stromsburg Public Librarians Report

August 2019

Circulation

July 2019 – 1,247 July 2018 – 1021

OverDrive-

July 2019 – 193 July 2018 – 158

July Statistics

Library Visitors-954

Computer Users-69

New OverDrive Users-2

Copy Machine-21

Fax-4

Microfilm-0

Accu-Cut-0

Laminator-0

Wi-fi-55

Materials Added/Deleted in July

Books-39/-22

DVD's-5/-5

Activities in July:

Summer reading – 37/30/25/30

Story Hour –22/3

Genealogy Club – 2

Meeting Room-

Tutoring

HHS

ESU 7

Directors Notes –

-Summer reading was very successful this year with a slight increase in attendance at the weekly programs.

-We have been busy processing a number of donated items lately. We have received a large donation of children's and junior fiction books from a family and several smaller donations.

-I spent a couple of hours one day observing the use of the Apollo library system in the Seward library. This is a great system that would enable our patrons to have more control over their accounts and allow the staff to serve our patrons better.

-Something we need to consider for next year's budget – with the increase in checkouts and purchasing books we are going through several supplies at a higher rate than normal. This includes book covers, DVD cases and browser bags, DVD date due stamps and date due stamps for books.