Regular Meeting of the Wymore Public Library Board April 28, 2021

Present: Janet Roberts, Librarian

Brenda Rempe, President

Heather Kaster, Vice-President

Betty Johnson, Secretary

Michele Cresse Sherri Jackson

Also present is Austin Jackson, applicant for position of Librarian.

Members of the Wymore Public Library met at 6:15 p.m. on April 28, 2021 with Brenda Rempe, President, calling the meeting to order.

The Open Meeting Act and Notices were placed in the usual places.

Roll call was answered by all members being present. The minutes of the previous meeting was read. There were no additions or corrections. Motion made by Heather Kaster to approve the minutes. Seconded by Michele Cresse. Voting aye was Brenda Rempe, Heather Kaster, Betty Johnson, Michele Cresse, and Sherri Jackson. The minutes were approved.

The Board recognized Austin Jackson, who was an applicant for the position of Librarian since our present Librarian, Janet Roberts, will be retiring May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021. She will notify the City Council after a replacement has been found.

The Summer Reading Program has been scheduled with the Gage County Extension Office on a Friday for four weeks in June. We are to check to see if masks should be worn and we should honor social distancing.

The DVD collection is rapidly growing, with Austin Jackson, a part-time helper, introducing 32 new CDs. Also, two new Apple computers were added to the library's computer corner, due to a Sparks grant.

Monica Sedlacek, who was hired for a part-time position, has since resigned.

There will be a fund drive during Sam Wymore Days, held on June 12<sup>th</sup>. Each participant or organization (coaches and players) are asked to contribute \$100. This event will be a Kick Ball Game, with the host, WBSAF, receiving the donations.

We are waiting to hear from the United Service Administration Co. to see if we received e-rate funding for the installation of fiber to the library and an 80% discount on a fiber connection by Windstream Kinectic. We have received 10% funding and a matching 10% from the State of Nebraska. If the e-rate is

approved at an 80% discount, we will have a fiber internet connection at the speed of no less than 100 mb at no cost. We will have a monthly cost for the fiber.

The Board then interviewed Austin Jackson for the position of Librarian.

The Board went into closed session at 7:10 p.m., at which time the Board discussed the interview with Austin Jackson. At 7:25 p.m. the Board went into regular session with Austin Jackson being present. It was decided he would be hired as the Librarian for the Wymore Public Library, beginning his duties Friday, May 14th. Those voting aye was Brenda Rempe, Heather Kaster, Michele Cresse, Betty Johnson, and Sherri Jackson. He will receive \$8.50 an hour until he is certified. Then his salary will be raised. There is no overtime. You do get comp time. Janet Roberts will work 5 hours a week until a part-time person or persons are hired. The hours of the Library are as follows: Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, 11:30 a.m., - 6:00 p.m.; Fridays, 11:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.; and Saturdays, 11:30 a.m. -2:00 p.m. The hours open total 34 ½ hours.

The Wymore Area Fund is holding their monthly meetings at the library.

Motion to adjourn was made by Heather Kaster and seconded by Michele Cresse. Voting aye was Brenda Rempe, Heather Kaster, Michele Cresse, Betty Johnson, and Sherri Jackson. Motiion carried. The next meeting will be held Wednesday, August 25, 2021 at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Detty Johnson

Secretary