

Village of Arlington Public Library Board

May 26, 2020

The Regular Board Meeting of the Village of Arlington Public Library Board, Nebraska, was held at the Arlington Public Library on May 26, 2020. Board President, Sheila Bracht called the meeting to order at 2:35 PM. Roll call was taken as follows: Les Parr, absent; Rick York, present; Peggy Reifert, present; Sheila Bracht, present; Erin Anzalone, present. Notice of the meeting was given in advance by posting at the Arlington Public Library, the Arlington Post Office, and the Village Office. Board President Bracht noted the posting of the Open Meetings Act as available at the Arlington Public Library. The March meeting minutes were approved with a 4-0 vote.

Bills to submit to the Village for payment: none

Librarian Deb Wesch gave her report: March patrons- 159 Books- 301 Overdrive- 148

April patrons-73 Books-188 Overdrive-151

-Deb handed out letter she sent to the Village and the paper outlining the Library's plan for June after discussion with Village Board member Travis Kraemer. Highlights include: reopening in June during regular hours with the exception of Saturday, gloves available for patrons, 5-8 patrons at a time, 25-30 minute visits, all social distancing rules apply

-New digital OPEN sign- will begin using in June!

-No volunteers since March and none planned for June....will reevaluate and decide on July

Budget Report: Fremont Area Community Foundation balance as of 3/31/20- \$13,820.95

Library monies: \$8331.24 (\$17 reserved for Summer Reading program)

Monthly budget printout from the Village shows accurate monthly expenses now but not the actual Library budget. Board President Bracht will ask the Village Clerk for the Yearly budget.

Old Business:

-YAAC: No report Waiting to hear update on Eagle Scout project for Children's Area.

-Friends group: No Report

-Table for Accu-Cut machine and Laminator-Board member York contacted Luke Brenn at the school. He has a few students from his class interested in building and will get info closer to start of school

-Strategic Plan- Board Secretary Anzalone sent an email to the Friends group, Village Board, Book Club, Volunteers, and Mr. Mues (school librarian) asking for input and dreams; where they want to see the Library in the future. Only received 2 replies but everything shut down right around then. She will resend and ask for input.

-Microfiche- Librarian Deb Wesch will reach out to Blair Library again. Contacted right before everything closed and never received a reply

-Answering Machine- Board member York will talk with the Clerk and American Broadband to make sure the Library does not have Voicemail. Each call that does not get answered becomes a “fax confirmation” and wastes paper and ink.

New Business:

-Summer Reading-the June 1 Magician has been canceled and hopefully we can reschedule later in the summer/fall. The NHS coordinator reached out with ideas for her students to help and earn some needed points. Students will provide Storytime on Mondays, an activity on Tuesdays, and a book review on Thursdays. In addition, the 4h Extension office has the 4 lessons they would have brought each week online so the Library will have links to those. All of these will be available on the Library’s Facebook page.

-Circulation desk- Board will get bids from Jim Johannes. If he is unable, we can reach out to Dave Cartright and Jeff Hasenour.

-New Chairs- Board members will bring ideas and price quotes for 2 new chairs.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, June, 9, 2020 at 2:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Erin Anzalone, Secretary