

ALGOMA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Minutes of September 16, 2013 Meeting

Ann Schoenborn called the September 16, 2013 meeting of the Algoma Public Library Board of Trustees to order at 4:00 P.M. Present: Pat Cichon, Nancy Kratz, Ron Welch and Ann Schoenborn

Excused: Jim Barlow, Diana McAninich, Carolyn Wolske

Also Present: Director Rita Schiesser and Julia Lasecki

Open Forum: No comment

Motion by Cichon second by Welch to approve the September 2013 agenda. Motion Carried.

Motion by Kratz second by Cichon to approve the August 2013 minutes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Welch second by Cichon to approve the bills. Motion Carried

Directors Report

Statistics:

People:

4,211 people visits to the library in August 2013

Daily average: 162

Circulation:

6,997 items circulated in August 2013

Daily average: 269

Internet statistics: 841 internet sessions (578 hours)

Wireless Use: 274 people (602 sessions)

Donations

Memorials were received for the purchas of books in memory of: Marion Thielke, Verna Sticka and Margaret Heinkel

Library Issues

The Bank of Luxemburg in Algoma held a fundraiser in August to benefit the Algoma Public Library. The funds will be added to the library's Knospe endowment fund.

The Knospe Endowment certificate of deposit has been renewed.

Schiesser is in the process of filling the substitute student aide position. The fill-in student covers in the event a regular student aide cannot work. This position is not an additional cost to the budget.

There were no updates to report on the digitization project.

Teacher Inservice was attended by 35 educators. Refreshments were provided by the Algoma Library Friends. Other activities in August, in addition to the summer library reading programs, included an author visit, book clubs, e-reader help, healthy eating seminar and job center hours.

VIP has set up a box in the library to collect gently used coats for those in need in our community.

Programs

There were 29 programs in August (11 for adults, 6 for families and 12 for children) with a total attendance of 206

Summer Library Program Report: Theme was Dig Into Reading.

1,402 people attended 62 Summer Library activity events. Students in grades 4K-5th grade read for 589 hours, Middle school students read 375 hours; 49 families read 340 hours together.

“Algoma Reads in August”: 4K – 8th grade, families and adults read an additional 216 hours. Adults participating in the “Read 2 Get 1 Free” program sponsored by the Algoma Library Friends, read 294 books in August.

Building Issues

The 30 year old lock on the library’s outside drop box was repaired.

Other Issues

Julia Lasecki, Library and Media specialist with the Algoma School District, was introduced to the board. Julia will be attending future board meetings.

Review of Chapters 7 & 8 of the Trustee Manual was postponed to a future meeting.

Algoma Library Friends

Judy Srnka held a rummage sale to benefit the Friends.

The Friends will be holding their annual bake sale on Friday, October 11 from 9 am – 4 pm at the Visitors Center in Algoma.

The next meeting will be Monday, October 21, 2013 at 4 PM in the library.

Meeting was adjourned on a motion by Welch, and second by Kratz at 4:22 PM. Motion Carried.

Nancy Kratz, Acting Secretary