

ALGOMA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Minutes of February 24, 2014 Meeting

Pat Cichon called the February 24, 2014 meeting of the Algoma Public Library Board of Trustees to order at 4:00 P.M. Present: Nancy Kratz, Pat Cichon, Carolyn Wolske, Diana McAninch and Ron Welch.

Excused: Ann Schoenborn and Jim Barlow

Also Present: Director Rita Schiesser

Open Forum: No comment

Motion by McAninch second by Kratz to approve the February 2014 agenda. Motion Carried.

Motion by Kratz second by McAninch to approve the January 2014 minutes. Motion Carried.

Motion by McAninch second by Wolske to approve the bills. Motion Carried

Directors Report

Statistics:

People:

3,728 people visits to the library in January 2014

Daily average:143

Circulation:

6,752 items circulated in January 2014

Daily average:260

Internet statistics: 629 internet sessions (428 hours)

Wireless Use: 90 people (165 sessions)

Donations

Donation was received for purchase of a book in memory of Daryle Wolske

Library Issues

The library has been asked to host a client through the Job Center and the Division of Vocational Rehabilitation in conjunction with the We Are Hope project. The library provides tasks and the Job Center provides a job coach and is responsible for all other aspects of the project. The library acts as a community resource for this program and is not financially responsible.

Board members were given information about the upgrade in fiber connectivity for rural libraries. Algoma is one of the libraries benefiting from this upgrade.

Digitization Update – Reels of film (1873 through 1923) will be sent to Northern Micrographics by the first week in March.

A replacement computer has been ordered to replace the employment station computer which has an XP operating system. A Windows 13 license has been ordered for the genealogy computer.

There is a leak in the ceiling in the children's room which needs to be monitored until better weather permits investigation.

Read Across America activity will be held on March 3.

Programs

There were 56 programs in January (12 for adults, 12 for families and 32 for children) with a total attendance of 829.

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Other Issues

Director Schiesser reviewed the 2013 end of year financial and statistical reports with the board.

Copies of the annual State Report and Library System Effectiveness Report were distributed to board members for discussion and approval. Motion by McAninch, second by Kratz to approve the reports. All yes, motion carried.

Algoma Library Friends

There was nothing to report.

The next meeting will be Monday, March 17, 2014 at 4 PM in the library.

Meeting was adjourned on a motion by McAninch, and second by Kratz at 5:04 PM. Motion Carried.

Carolyn Wolske, Secretary