

ALGOMA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Minutes of April 21, 2014 Meeting

President Ann Schoenborn called the April 21, 2014 meeting of the Algoma Public Library Board of Trustees to order at 4 PM. Present: Nancy Kratz, Pat Cichon, Carolyn Wolske, Diana McAninch, Jim Barlow and Julia Lasecki.

Also Present: Director Rita Schiesser

Open Forum: No comment

Motion by Cichon second by Wolske to approve the April 2014 agenda. Motion Carried.

Motion by Barlow second by McAninch to approve the March 2014 minutes. Motion Carried.

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

Directors Report

Statistics:

People:

3,899 people visits to the library in March 2014

Daily average:150

Circulation:

6,489 items circulated in March 2014

Daily average:250

Internet statistics: 585 internet sessions (384 hours)

Wireless Use: 156 people (348 sessions)

Donations

Donations were received for the purchase of childrens books in memory of Dorothy Holub Heidmann and Mary Mayheu; books regarding birds, nature plantings and landscaping in memory of Al, Helen and Allen Vlies; and a donation was made to the Kannerwurf Sharpe Endowment.

Library Issues

The board was given an update of the digitization project. A meeting was held with Jason Melotte at the high school regarding the schools role as host server.

Wes Cox and Harold Nell received an award from the Wisconsin Association of Historic Preservation for outstanding work in research for work on the House Histories.

The Knospe Endowment certificate of deposit in the Bank of Luxemburg comes due at the end of April. 90% of the interest earned is used toward the purchase of books, 10% remains in the endowment.

A quote was requested for possible electrical work for the fiber optic project. The exact work that will be needed will not be known until AT&T conducts a second visit.

Programs

There were 49 programs/activities in March (12 for adults, 13 for families and 24 for children) with a total attendance of 562.

National Library Week was held April 13-19. The Algoma Library Friends donated books for children, snacks, refreshments and prizes.

Other Issues

Barlow moved, second by Cichon to approve the request for Lisa VanAlstine to attend the WAPL Convention (Wisconsin Association of Public Librarians) May 8 and 9. Motion carried.

Director Schiesser passed out possible revisions to the Library Bylaws and General Policy for discussion and approval. Moved by Barlow, Second by McAninch to approve the changes to the Bylaws and General Library Policy. Motion carried.

Algoma Library Friends

The Algoma Library Friends are offering a \$500 scholarship to those meeting the scholarship qualifications.

The Friends are encouraging those interested in attending a Friends meeting to do so. The Friends meet the second Monday of the month at 10:30 AM in the library.

The next Library Board meeting will be Monday, May 19, 2014 at 4 PM in the library.

Meeting was adjourned on a motion by Kratz, and second by McAninch at 4:35 PM. Motion Carried.

Carolyn Wolske, Secretary