

CARLINVILLE LIBRARY BOARD MINUTES

April 1, 2024

The Carlinville Library Board met in regular session on Monday, April 1, 2024. President Rosentreter called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM. Members physically present were Tom Emery, Diane Aikin, Sue Rush, Rosemary Clark, Peg Fehr, Polly Eldred and Dana Yowell, along with Library Director Hannah Miller. A quorum was present.

Public Comments and Correspondence: The Library Board presented a housewarming card to Director Miller. Kris reminded members the Rotary Pancake Breakfast is April 7. The library will probably be a recipient of some of the proceeds. Tom mentioned that Taylor Pensoneau will be speaking at the library June 12 to discuss Illinois Governors.

The regular minutes of the March 4 meeting were distributed to Board members prior to the meeting. A motion was made to approve the minutes as read.

A copy of the financial report was distributed to members prior to the meeting. Director Miller reported the new book dropbox has been ordered. A motion was made by Rush and seconded that the treasurer's report and paying of bills be accepted. The motion passed unanimously by a voice vote.

OLD BUSINESS:

ARRIVAL OF NEW BOOK DROP: The book drop has been ordered and will be shipped when they receive the payment.

NEW BUSINESS:

LIMRICC INSURANCE: The Library Insurance Management and Risk Control Combination offers group health insurance to library employees. The first step is getting approval; H. Miller submitted the paperwork. The library was approved to be part of the Aetna group. The premiums are over \$1,000 per month per employee. The City of Carlinville offers health insurance for a somewhat lesser price.

VOTE AND APPROVAL OF FY 25 BUDGET: After review and discussion a motion was made by Fehr and seconded by Eldred to accept the FY 25 budget (with the exception of the interest income line with input from the auditor). The motion passed with a unanimous voice vote.

JANITOR'S CONTRACT RENEWAL (for June): After discussion regarding the excellent work provided by our current janitor, a motion was made by Eldred to increase the janitor's salary by 3 % in June; the motion was seconded by Fehr. A unanimous voice vote was held to agree with the motion.

STATEMENTS OF ECONOMIC INTEREST DUE APRIL 30: Every Board member has received an email with the form to complete and return to the Macoupin County Clerk Pete Duncan.

THANK YOU TO OUTGOING TREASURER' CARL ZEIDLER AND THANK YOU TO OUTGOING TRUSTEE SUE RUSH: A resignation letter was passed around to all Board members. Due to health issues, Carl felt the need to resign. During his tenure as Treasurer, Carl was instrumental in advising the Board on investments and was a champion of the Libby Library Application. Sue's eye for detail will also be missed, her last meeting will be in May. Thank you Sue for your valuable service.

LIBRARIAN REPORT:

Carlinville Library was awarded \$35,000 from the Illinois dept. Of Commerce and Economic Opportunity DECK (Digital Equity Capacity Kickstarter) Grant to replace our current patron computers and add laptops, iPads and other technology for in-library class use.

The library received 14 shelving units for the kids' area for free from Caseyville Public Library District. Many volunteers made the moving, putting together and reshelving units possible.

19 new library cards were made in March and we had 6 non-resident card renewals. 2813 total physical items were checked out in March, with an additional 504 e-resources checked out on Libby this month.

Storytime had 59 kids and their caregivers attending the four sessions in March. 17 kids came to Lego Club and Stop-Motion Animation had 7 kids. Zion Lutheran Preschool visited the library, Hannah C. read them a story, they played games, made crafts and toured the library.

The Library has free solar eclipse glasses available for the April 8 viewing.

The library was awarded 35 Cardinals tickets to give away for Summer Reading prizes.

ADJOURNMENT: 5:25 PM

Submitted by Secretary Dana Yowell