

Library Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 8, 2023

Blanchardville Public Library

Present: Elizabeth Kundert, Grace Knutson, Charlotte Tesch, Elizabeth Steele, Trisha Wahl, and Stuart Bisbee

Call to order at 5:04 p.m.

Treasurer's Report: Kundert presented report for 2022 for income, expenses and bank CDs. Knutson noted that the report had CD 40937 with a maturity date of 04/30/22. Kundert confirmed that it was a typo and maturity date should be corrected to 04/30/2024. Kundert presented January report. No expenses and deposit for \$85 for copies. \$744.35 is current balance. Motion to approve 2022 and January Treasurer's Report – Steele. Second by Wahl. Motion passed 5-0.

Secretary's Report: No changes/edits needed. Motion to approve – Steele. Second by Wahl. Motion passed 5-0.

Business:

- a) Possible new library service – delivery to homebound residents: Bisbee presented idea that he would start with delivering and look for volunteers if there is an interest in the service. He would deliver within a certain distance of the village. Dodgeville has this. Argyle used to have this. It was discussed if it could be coordinated with Meals on Wheels. Knutson suggested targeting senior housing area and Viking Café with the information flyers. Bisbee is working on information flyer and will discuss with coordinator of Meals on Wheels and Viking Café. He will look to possibly pilot the service for a few months to see if the service is desired. No motion needed, information only.
- b) Internet and Computer Use Policy update – Bisbee went over changes to policy. Now youth patrons will sign if there is a noted abuse of rules/policy. Updated draft policy to reflect #5 – add “no” at beginning of statement and #6 – add “no” in front of statement. Motion to approve changes to policy – Kundert. Second by Wahl. Motion passed 5-0.
- c) Discussion on policy change for due dates of category of *Newly Acquired* books – Bisbee talked about other libraries rules and approaches with newly acquired books. Bisbee suggested two weeks due date to allow for more circulation and patrons can always renew. Motion to approve a change to due date for *Newly Acquired* books and magazines to two weeks – Steele. Second by Kundert. Motion passes 5-0.

Reports:

- a) Update on programs since last meeting and future programs – programs have slowed down, January, winter, etc.
 - 1) Dec 5 – 10 people board game party – successful
 - 2) Dec 10 – Christmas craft – no one in attendance but take home kits made that five people took and craft was used as decoration in library

- 3) Dec 15 – Ornament after school project
 - 4) Dec (Secretary didn't note date) – It's a Wonderful Life movie night with pizza served – successful
 - 5) Dec 19 – puzzle party – 2 people attended
 - 6) Dec and Jan – book club for adults – 6 people with 2 new people
 - 7) Toddler Story Time – tried a new time of 3:30 but had no one attend but had over 300 views for a virtual story time
 - 8) Future programs –
 - i. After school with Switch and board games
 - ii. Booked National Mississippi River Museum program – cost was about \$500 – this will be held in July and will be a shark
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- b) Iowa County grant update – Used \$500 on piano books and board games—this was an extra funding because Iowa County gave extra money beyond the initial \$800 grant amount; will get another \$800 to buy additional board games like chess sets which is the actual grant we applied for. Bisbee will attend an event on February 21 to accept the money and thank the funding group.
 - c) Rotating Spanish language collection – this year Spanish collection will be free in our library. Bisbee will work on advertising the collection. Knutson suggested targeting farm families with monolingual employees.
 - d) Annual report for 2022 – due March 1st – this report is almost completed. Bisbee will send it out in an email for all to review. After board members review and approve, Knutson will go into library to sign. Knutson recommended giving data and talking points to Wahl to share with Village Board meeting.
 - e) Other information – Village Board will appoint a new library board meeting in April.

Next meeting date: March 22, 2023 at 5 p.m. in Library

Motion to adjourn – Kundert. Second by Wahl. Motion passed 5-0 at approximately 6:15 p.m.