BEECHER COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Monthly Board Meeting Tuesday, February 23, 2021 7:00 PM Meeting rescheduled from Feb. 16, 2021

The meeting was held in the Meeting Room at the library..

TRUSTEE ROLL CALL: Biery, present Bunte, present Czarnecki, present Saller, present, Stamper, present Wehling, present.

Jill Grosso and Vicki Squier were also in attendance.

Additional Items for Agenda: L&H Bill.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Minutes from the January 19, 2021 meeting were reviewed. Following review, Bunte moved to accept minutes as presented, seconded by Wehling.

Biery, yes Bunte, yes Czarnecki, yes Saller, abstain Stamper, yes Wehling, yes. Motion passed.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Bunte presented the Treasurer's report & Financial recap. Following board review, Czarnecki moved to approve both reports, seconded by Stamper.

Biery, yes Bunte, yes Czarnecki, yes Saller, yes Stamper, yes Wehling, yes. Motion passed.

The February Outstanding Bills were reviewed.

(Jill explained the addition of the L&H bill. There was a problem in the furnace room, Mike from L&H came out on Monday to take care of it.)

Following review, Biery moved to approve payment of Outstanding bills for February totaling \$17,660.66, including additions, seconded by Czarnecki.

Biery, yes, Bunte, yes Czarnecki, yes Saller, yes Stamper, yes Wehling, yes. Motion passed.

The Budget Comparison was reviewed and found to be sound.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- Statistics: January checkouts 750, Media on Demand 347, Tumblebooks, 31.
- The board members each signed the letter accepting Philip Vestal's resignation.
- Jill will be purchasing 6 new mouse pads for the Circulation desk, total cost, \$26.34.
- Snow closings in February: Open on Feb. 1st, closed at 4:00 on Feb.4th, Closed on Feb.8th.
- The new HOOPLA service will be available tomorrow offering patrons a set number each month of ebooks, audio books, comics, TV shows and movies. There will be no waiting for 'holds' with this service. TV shows and movies will stream over roku boxes,

fire sticks, and other smart TV devices. Jill will post the information on pertinent Facebook pages, website and other sources.

- A list of adult 'New Books' are now being posted on our website where patrons can see the cover & jacket description.
- Jill asked the board to refer to her handouts which list the details of her proposal to stimulate Children's & Jr. checkouts. Since the numbers have fallen, Jill & the staff have devised a plan offering to make up a bundle of 10 books for Children & Junior patrons, bagged for pick-up. Patrons can also order books of their choosing in the same manner.
- Jill will be creating a newsletter containing these new services and all the latest changes at the library very soon. Announcements will also appear on the outside clock/message board.
- Jill will be taking her vacation Mar.22-26.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Building/Grounds: Not much new but that the Snow plowing went very well.

Housekeeping: Kathy reports all is well.

Landscaping: Michelle has nothing to report since everything outdoors is buried. **Schools:** Jennifer reports that the tentative plan is to resume full days April 12th.

Social: Beverly has nothing to report.

General: Shirley reminded board to fill out their Economic Statements for Will County. Shirley and Kathy removed bar codes and packed-up the many Children's books upstairs. They have all been donated to the 'Etc.' thrift store who came to pick them up with Fred's help.

OLD BUSINESS:

March 8th is the tentative date for the Alarm System installation. Shirley asked Jill to be sure to get us copies of all related signed documents for our records.

- The meeting room has a new large clock thanks to the generosity of Wendy Whited.
- A dedication plaque will soon be installed in our new Meeting Room. Board members were shown a rough sketch of the plaque.
- The rental fee for the Chamber of Commerce will be due on May 1st. Following discussion, Czarnecki moved that we pay the \$60 fee for another year, seconded by Wehling.

NEW BUSINESS:

Shirley visited Daum Appliances & found a new refrigerator for the upstairs kitchen. Following discussion, Biery moved that we purchase the refrigerator for \$659 (+ \$79 delivery and removal), seconded by Saller.

Biery, yes Bunte, yes Czarnecki, yes Saller, yes, Stamper, yes Wehling, yes. Motion passed.

- Tadpole sent a letter stating the 2021 Lawn Maintenance price will remain at \$48.
- Lawn Care will apply 4 applications of fertilizer for \$228, \$71 per grub application.
- Shirley suggested we give thought to resuming the Book Discussion group, Knitting classes and Children's programs so that we can make decisions when we next meet.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Regular Board Meeting, March 16, 2021, 7 p.m.

Saller moved to adjourn meeting at 8:05 p.m., seconded by Bunte. **Biery**, yes **Bunte**, yes **Czarnecki**, yes **Saller**, yes, **Stamper**, yes **Wehling**, yes. **Motion passed**.

Kathryn A. Czarnecki

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Secretary