

Millstadt District Library Board Minutes

Place: Village Meeting Room
115 West Laurel St., Millstadt, IL 62260

Date: 7/13/2022

Time: 7:00 pm

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by President Bob Englebretson. Those physically in attendance were Jennifer Bernstein, Bob Englebretson, Brenda Goudey, Traci Juhas, Norm Sanders, Patti French and Director Nichole Lauko. Janice Seidlitz was absent

Meeting Minutes: The previous meeting minutes from June were approved as read.

Treasurer's Report: The June report was read by Treasurer Brenda Goudey. The report was approved, and the report will be filed for audit.

The Librarian's Report: Presented by Nichole Lauko. Total bills presented were \$9670.19. An itemized list of the monthly library statistics included: 176 hours open; total circulation 1667; 1069 adult items and 63 youth items; 6.8 items checked out per hour; 667 requested items and 260 loaned items. There were 80 computer users; 1062 in attendance; and 296 e-books. The following is a list of hours worked by the library staff: Penny 114.; Cinda 75.5 Elizabeth 63.75 and Nichole 160. Nichole asked that the bills be paid and \$7,000 be added to payroll. Jennifer Bernstein made the motion to pay the bills and add \$7,000 to payroll. Patti French seconded the motion and the motion carried.

- Discussed Archive Social- did not find a reason for the service
- Discussed Biblio+ offers download for our patrons at \$500 a year all-inclusive subscription using your library card information to sign on for streaming- tabled for next month for more research
- Was approved for the ARSL (Association of Rural and Small Libraries) and Color Parentship to support free COVID-19 lab testing under for under-resourced communities. Testing is free for patrons and get a year free of ARSL membership. Receive \$5 bonus for every test administered at the library.
- Chamber Of Commerce Social, Sunday, August 14 from 12-4
- Received a FOIA request
- Nichole was selected for Director's University 2.0 in Springfield, August 2-4, \$150, not including mileage
- Discussed an Exemplary Service to the Library award- plaque, gift card etc. -tabled for next month
- Discussed Gateway River Runners program
- Discussed Food Truck Night- September or October

Correspondence:

The library was presented with a donation from the Millstadt Sister Cities for the New Library fund

Received the Per Capita Grant from the State of Illinois in the amount of \$6009.15

New Business:

Tabled Budget and Levy

Assessing the Referendum

- Discussed the annexation and the voting and the experience with trying to build a new library
- Survey- do we want to do a survey of what went wrong and where? Board decided against a survey
- Rural Committee to talk with rural members regarding new library? Board discussed and felt the tension in the community needs to die down before we start any new committees-
- Article- in the Millstadt News regarding the referendum

Sent letter to Illinois State Library to Return Public Library Construction Act Grant

Discussed the Tiny Library and the next steps

Building Committee:

Read letter from Williams regarding next steps to wrap up the New Library

Finance Committee:**Hiring Committee:****Fundraising Committee:**

June meeting was cancelled, next scheduled meeting July 25

Old Business:

Discussed Non-Resident Letter review -tabled

Special Projects:

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned by President Bob Englebretson.

Respectfully submitted

Traci Juhas