

Library Board Minutes

April 8, 2024

Hoesch Memorial Library Board of Trustees met on Monday April 8, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. Present were Don Jardon, Bryan Lubeck, Cathy House, Mary Jo Radil, Pam Miller and Keri Anderson Library Director.

Don Jardon called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. with attention given to the Open Meeting Act posted on the conference room wall.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read. Bryan made the motion to approve the minutes as read. Second by Cathy. Motion carried.

Warrants for payment of bills for April were reviewed. Pam made the motion to approve the warrants for payment, seconded by Bryan. Motion carried.

The following warrants were paid:

Keri Anderson	3,113.30
Jennifer Roethke	458.69
Amazon (Books)	269.83
Frontier (Telephone)	223.92
Hogelands (Supplies)	4.18
Jennifer Roethke (Travel for SRP)	114.70
NPPD (Electricity)	59.04
Summit Window Cleaning (Bldg. Maint.)	100.00

Circulation statistics and Budget statistics were reviewed. Circulation of DVD's was up. Dues and fees expense was to the Library Commission for yearly ByWater Consortium dues. The Consortium is a group of libraries who use the same Integrated Library System for the circulation of their items, and their patrons.

New Business:

Keri recommended the hiring of Anna Brooks from Stamford as the new part-time clerk. Anna has previous library experience with the Holdrege Library. Cathy

made the motion to hire Anna Brooks as the new part time clerk. Don seconded the motion with all in favor.

Keri said she'd had a call from NE Vocational Rehab about hiring a student for the summer (May through July). This position would be paid for by the state. After discussion it was decided that with a new hire in training and the Summer Reading program going on, there would not be adequate staff time to supervise the student. Keri will call and tell them no.

A rose bush has been donated to the library by Kristi Heft in memory of Virginia McKelvie who had been a long time member of the Library Board. It was decided that it will be planted between the statue and the flag pole.

Other Business

Keri reported that we did not receive the Circulating Stem Kits Grant, but will re-apply when it becomes available again.

A two hour increase per week for Jennifer was discussed. It was approved, subject to change, as long as the budget allows.

Don reminded us that in honor of National Library Week the Friends of the Library will host a coffee at the library on April 10 from 1 to 3. Keri reminded us also, that during the week a "cookie" coupon from DragonFly Desserts will be given to patrons when they check out a book, DVD, or audiobook. These coupons are made possible through funding from the Friends.

Adjournment

The next meeting will be held Monday, May 6, 2024 at 2:00 o'clock p.m.

As there was no other business, Mary Jo made the motion to adjourn, second by Cathy. Motion carried.

Respectfully,

Pam Miller, Secretary