

Library Board Meeting January 23, 2024

Meeting called to order at 5:52 p.m.

Members present: Charlene Butcher, Jamie L. Wildermuth, Jill Tegethoff, Jonathan Harris, Patti Wittenauer, and Connie Mathis

Members absent: Barry Kellerman

Staff present: Alex Fisher

Secretary's Report: Patti makes a motion to accept the secretary's report, Jonathan seconded

Treasurer's Report: Beginning balance \$57,361.44, Debit \$5,649.54. Credit \$164 Interest \$.91 Ending balance \$51,876.81. Jamie makes a motion to pay the bills for January and accept the treasurer's report, Jill seconded to accept the report

Director's Report:

- Fiscal year per capita grant has been completed and is ready for submission
- Economic interest forms have been mailed out to everyone
- Library successfully applied for the grant for an AED. We have received it; however, they didn't bring tools with them to install the storage case
- Marion glass gave us a quote for the window that was damaged by the storm over the summer. The quote was for \$1,788. Insurance won't cover it because it doesn't meet the deductible. It would have to come out of our pocket. Alex is going to check into ServePro to see a price for replacing the window also.
- Josh Kuhnert said he was going to try to include the two vandalism windows along with the current broken window and get it paid by the insurance.
- The library suffered damage due to vandalism. Thank you to Charlene and her sister for coming in on Sunday to help clean up the mess. The colorful area rug we had purchased with the floor grant had to be

disposed of and Alex and David cleaned the children's area. Missy said insurance would cover ServePro to come in, so we asked them to come clean it. They did a great job!

- A ceiling tile had to be replaced last week due to a leak in the roof. We had water pooled on the floor.
- We can apply for a new construction loan which is due on February 15th. We have received a free quote from 5 Star Roofing of \$34,750 for an aluminum chip roof. They reached out to Alex.
 - Alex plans on getting other quotes for the roof.

Connie makes a motion; Patti seconds the motion to accept the director's report

Old Business: None

New Business: Read Ch. 10 of the Standards for Illinois Public Libraries

- Alex will be looking into getting a grant to help with a new roof
- Abby was let go. Charlene came up. They met with her to terminate her employment. This seemed to inspire Ben to make the necessary changes to stay employed. Both Alex and David have said they have seen a positive change, Ben is stepping up, and doing what is asked of him.
- First National Bank may sponsor our summer reading program. Alex thinks this year's theme is "Your Adventure Begins at Your Local Library"

Jonathan makes the motion to adjourn the meeting, Connie seconded at 6:29 p.m.

