

International Falls Public Library

Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

July 13, 2016

Present: Library Director Diane Adams, John Dalton, Art Holt, Paul Nevanen, Dick Peterson, Ted Saxton, Mary Jo Winkel

Call to order: 4:30 p.m.

Review of June meeting minutes.

Dalton made a motion to approve the minutes, Peterson seconded, motion approved.

Financial Report

The current bills were reviewed. Nevanen made a motion to pay the bills, Winkel seconded, motion carried. Peterson signed to pay the bills.

Director's Report

May and June statistics still show a decline in usage. There is a 9% decline from last year.

Summer reading program also shows a decline at this time. 350 bags were handed out for summer 2015 and as of now 190 bags have been handed out for summer 2016 program.

Diane is registering for the Rural and Small Library conference which is in October.

A proposal to use one set of hours for the jr. room is being considered. The jr. room will be open until 8:00p.m. The patrons will need to access the jr. room through the main entrance since the lower entrance door will be locked earlier. Staff will man the check-out and assistance in the jr. room as needed.

Beth Nelson has been hired as the youth services assistant. This is a part-time position which will include storytime and the youth programming activities. She will start at the end of July.

The non-fiction has been weeded. Picture books weeding will begin this summer. The vigilance collection is now interfiled with the non-fiction. And the reference section has been moved.

Scheduled Programming

Storytime in the Park continues on Wednesday nights

Friends of the Library book sale, Monday, July 18, 2016 5:00-7:00 p.m.

Chess club continues on Thursdays, 2:00 p.m.

Olympic magic program Wednesday, July 20 3:30 p.m.

Yoga storytime with Nikki Bergstrom, Thursday July 28 and Aug. 18, 11:00 a.m.

New Business:

The preliminary 2017 budget was presented.

A discussion regarding the library streaming music to patrons was held. At this time 2 services are available, Freegal and Hoopla. Diane will continue to research the costs for an annual subscription.

Nikki Bergstrom requested to use the meeting room on the lower level of the library twice a week for her Next Generation Yoga classes. The library's policy in using the meeting room is that such activities are free to the public. These classes charge a fee to participate and under these circumstances the board refused her request.

The class of 64 has generated a fundraiser request to the community of International Falls. The library is one of three recipients to this endeavor. So far the library has received \$100 in donations.

Next board meeting: August 10, 2016 4:30 p.m.

Adjourned: 5:25 p.m.