

International Falls Public Library

Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

October 12, 2016

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

Call to order: 4:30 p.m.

Review of September meeting minutes.

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

Financial Report

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

Director's Report

Issues concerning a number of elementary age students and a number of vagabonds are currently being monitored by staff. The standards of patrons conduct policy will be followed if an occasion arises where the individual/individuals are asked to leave. Family services has been informed concerning the minors and the agency is aware of the situation.

A grant has been submitted for a listening station for the junior room. A decision from the committee is expected around the end of November.

Old Business:

The Regional Coloring Book contest information has been distributed to Indus, Littlefork, and the I. Falls schools through their art teachers. At this time no real responses have been submitted from any of the school districts.

25 people came to Author Night on September 22, 2016.

The small business resource center will not be renewed. Limited use dictates this decision.

The Knudson grant has been submitted. This would be used towards a Hoopla subscription.

Small Business Saturday, November 26, 2016. The library will provide movie and supervision for 2 hours so that parents can go shopping locally. The National Honor Society and Falls High Student Council will help out with the movie "Finding Dory".

Scheduled Programming

Science Day, Saturday, October 22, 2016. Ages 10 and up will work with learning stations from 11:00-2:00.

Friends of the Library Book Sale, Saturday, October 22, 2016 12:00-2:00

Wire jewelry, Friday, November 11, 2016 10:30 a.m. (The library will be closed that day, but Diane will come in for the activity time. This is funded through the Legacy Fund.)

New Business:

Nancy McBride will have served on the board for the past 9 years. Her term is up at the end of 2016. A new board member will need to be found to replace her. Terms for John Dalton and Art Holt are also up at the end of 2016. Diane will need decisions by those two board members at the November meeting concerning if they would be willing to renew at the end of 2016.

A winter reading program and 2017 reading challenge is being developed. It will be launched during the Ice Box Days week and run for approximately 5-6 weeks. Decisions on how to promote it are still in the planning stages,(community based, individual based, team based?).

Entries for the art work of the Legacy Fund grant are due November 1, 2016. Artists from throughout northern Minnesota can qualify to enter.

The Small Libraries Create Small Spaces grant was not submitted. Little value would have helped our library. No monetary award was involved.

Next board meeting: November 9, 2016.

Adjourned: 5:10 p.m.