

International Falls Public Library

Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

January 11, 2017

Present: Library Director Diane Adams, John Dalton, Dick Peterson, Paul Nevanen, Darcy Sullivan, Eric Kulig

Dick Peterson called the meeting to order: 4:30 p.m.

Introductions were made as Darcy Sullivan, one of our new members was in attendance.

Diane provided a short introduction for Eric Kulig, artist chosen for the library's Legacy Art Project. He presented his proposed sketches and took questions. The board approved his design. They will be forwarded to ALS for board approval and next steps.

Review of December meeting minutes. Nevanen made a motion to approve the minutes, Sullivan seconded, motion approved.

Financial Report

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

Director's Report

First "Libraries to You" visits were made to The River's Edge Villa and Northwinds Assisted Living. Moderate response at this time. Will continue and work on building patronage.

Circulation for 2016 ended up 5% below 2015 numbers, half the decline of the previous three years.

New website is under construction, using a Wordpress template and add-ons.

Old Business:

Hoopla has hit a minor snag, to use authentication via our ILS (Horizon) requires a \$1,900 fee/year to Horizon. That would effectively double the first year costs. We will propose limiting the service to city residents and not do automatic authentication but use staff checking of accounts created. Diane will present Hoopla and proposal to city council on Tuesday and then work on scheduling a time to present to County Commissioners. If the county will provide an additional \$5,000 in support beginning in 2018, we would make Hoopla available to county residents from the beginning.

New Business:

none

Scheduled Programming

Story times, Thursday mornings. Tuesday, January 17, 6:30 p.m. Musical Impressions, art of George Morrison with music by Briand Morrison

January 17, 2017, Winter Reading Challenge kick-off

Friends of the Library book sale, Thursday, January 19, 2017, 1:00-3:00p.m.

Next board meeting: February 8, 2017, 4:30 p.m.

Adjourned: 5:30 p.m.