Ord Township Library Board Minutes July 16, 2024

Call to Order: President Lu Lansman called the meeting to order at 5:26 p.m. Present were trustees: Steve Klimek, Deb Hansen, Jill Lane, Courtney Welniak and Kristi Hagstrom - Library Director.

Lu made notice that the Open Meetings Act is posted in its entirety in a three ring binder in the glass cabinet by the fireplace.

Approval of Agenda: Moved by Jill to accept the agenda. Seconded by Courtney. All ayes, motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Approval of June meeting minutes as presented. Moved by Steve, seconded by Deb. All ayes, motion carried.

Financial Reports: Combined balance of the General Fund and Petty Cash for June month end stands at \$9,910.30. Additionally, a yearly comparison was presented showing the income and expense for the last two fiscal years. Acceptance of the financial report was moved by Jill and seconded by Courtney. All aye votes. Motion carried.

Comments from the Public – None

Old Business

Summer Reading Program End of Program Report – We had good overall enrollment and use of the quiet area for reading. There were 73 kids that earned their 10 hour reading reward. We found that although many parents signed kids up for attending the camps, the actual attendance was down and we ran into several snags with the field trip. In addition, the overall cost of the swimming party was double since the last time we hosted one. The adult and teen programs have been well received, as well as the Geocache adventure. Kristi will sit down with staff to review changes for next year.

Nebraska Arts Council Grant – The grant is complete, but NAC did not send the grant money before the end of our last fiscal year. The art teacher was therefore paid as of July 1^{st} to accommodate the money being received in this fiscal year. Many students and the teacher spoke of hosting another class next year.

New Business

New Copy Machine – Only one bid has been received for a new copy machine. Steve moved to table the discussion and decision until we have more bids to compare by our next meeting. Jill seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

Summer at the Library – Tresia is gone this month, but with no scheduled events and programs, the library is a very calm place to be. We have witnessed more traffic of all patrons now that Summer Reading is over.

National Night Out August 6^{th} – A decision has not been made whether Ord will host National Night Out. Kristi will let the Trustees know if we will be downtown handing out hot dogs. As of now, it does not not look like it will happen.

Fall After School Options – After talking it over with staff members, Kristi is not planning to hire more staff at this time and current staff work together to accommodate all schedules. Trustees questioned how to get a better handle on crowd control or rather, the library being taken advantage of after school. Kristi will do some research but will wait for Tresia to get back to work to determine an after school game plan.

Other New Business Presented by Board Members – Kristi explained the cost of the online version of the Omaha World Herald will be \$14.99 with the Grand Island Independent soon to follow. When asked how often

the designated newspaper computer is used, it was determined that it is used rarely. Steve moved to cancel our subscription to the OWH and the GII. Jill seconded the motion.

Director's Report – Kristi presented the monthly director's report and it will remain on file with the minutes of the meeting.

Statistical Report – The monthly statistical report was presented.

Approval of Bills – Courtney moved and Jill seconded the motion to approve bills for July. All ayes. Motion carried.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be on Tuesday, August 20th @ 5:30.

Adjournment: Courtney moved to adjourn at 6:17 pm. Steve seconded the motion. All ayes. Motion carried.

Deb Hansen, Secretary