

# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE JOHNSON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

March 24, 2014

Meeting called to order by at 6:30 P.M. Vice President Matt Solverson in absence of President Dave Chellevoid, excused as well as Denise Wellnitz. No representatives of public present.

Motion by Jamie Hartwig, seconded by Andrew Gruetzmacher meeting and agenda properly posted. Carried.

Motion by Jamie Hartwig, seconded by Ruth Ann Peterson to accept minutes of February 25<sup>th</sup> as presented. Carried.

## Unfinished business: Library Programs

- Candi and Mary Jo attended DEMS and had many new sign ups ranging from 4 years and up.
- Craft and Story hour going well and it's enjoyable to see 2-4 year olds going from "shy to socializing."
- China presentation by Amy West was well attended and people voiced interest in another presentation.
- Mark Hirsch gave presentation on his book "That Tree" and how the photography has given him many new opportunities. He autographed both books and calendars offered for sale at end of presentation.
- St. Patrick's Program/Party big success.
- Computer Class taught by Candi and Peggy accommodating 6 will be held monthly as long as demand exists.
- Mary Jo Erickson presented maple tree procedure tapping for maple syrup.
- Kate Bausch art group meetings are going well.
- Lego Club a popular activity, well attended and enjoyed.
- Lafayette County genealogy society met on a Sunday here at Library. Nancy Donahoe opened and monitored event.

## Coming Up Programs:

- Booth at DEMS's event.
- Marjorie North will present her newly published book, "Penny Penguin Doesn't Like Cold" at story hour.
- Adult book club holds evening discussions.
- Nikki Cooper will present her puppets show for participants of "Head Start", Humpty Dumpty and Day Care.
- Mike Dinges will present Amish culture hoping to have Amish representative present.
- Sue Cashman will present her soon to be published book entitled "Bluebirds" at Story Hour.
- April is Library Month and will be commemorated at Johnson Library by soon to be announced activity yet in planning stages.
- Peggy North will be assuming advertising library events under the direction of Director Candi.

Candi presented report of building and technology issues. It has been determined that fiber optic lines will come into the building from the Wells Street manhole into the equipment room which will be less than 250' so avoids extra charges. The timeline schedule is for July installation.

Two letters from Mediacom were presented informing the Board two violations had occurred against their copyrights using WiFi ports. Violations have occurred using personal devices downloading the movie "Vice" and sharing it. This is a Federal Infringement. We now have people sign in and out so we can monitor times the infringement has taken place which seems to be during the day while school is in session eliminating students. Aaron Wolfe has attempted to block ports and since we do have outside access are considering weakening the signal. We have never had a password and the situation will continue to be monitored.

Candi gave her annual report to the Council at their last meeting. She was happy to have found out outside maintenance, shoveling, mowing, etc. did not count against janitorial hours. She is having the study room painted. The Council is proud of the Library and its many activities.

The new food policy will be added to the policy folder. Candi is also going to proceed in updating our collection policy which will be on next month's agenda.

New Business: The Library will participate in the local garage sales by selling books on the outside West of Library. The staff have been "weeding" out outdated and work out books. Any unsold items will be donated to Good Will/Easter Seals.

Discussion was held on creating little "Free Libraries" throughout the community in parks, at the campground, pool or volunteer placement on private property. The Boy Scouts and others have been contacted about building and locating them. Nancy Donahoe has volunteered to run the program, seeing books are available and containers kept accessible. It is suggested she give ample notification if and when she would like to discontinue her services so we can enlist a replacement.

Motion by Jamie Hartwig, seconded by Andrew Gruetzmacher to approve February vouchers #2418 thru #2438 in the amount of \$1,531.01. Carried.

Motion by Andrew Gruetzmacher, seconded by Bev Anderson to adjourn meeting setting date of April meeting at April 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 P.M. Carried.

*Minutes submitted by Bev Anderson, Secretary  
Johnson Public Library Board*