

Minerva Free Library

Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes: September 3, 2024

“Libraries Change Lives”

Present Board Members: Darlene Barney, Judy Warren, Elizabeth Meeder, Krista Rhebergen, Dianne Courtney-Freeman, Beth Armes, Chris Labuskes

Absent: Karen Croscut

Director: Cindy Sears

Secretary’s Report: President Beth Armes called the meeting to order @ 6:00 PM.

The minutes from the August Board Meeting were approved. A motion was made by Darlene and Seconded by Krista. All: Aye

Director’s Report: Cindy Sears

Cindy talked about the money given to the library by the Mayville Rotary. We are very grateful for \$1,000 to use on new books.

Treasurer’s Report: Darlene

| | Checking | and | Savings |
|-------------------|--------------|-----|-------------|
| Beginning Balance | \$1,831.33 | | \$70,507.39 |
| Ending Balance | \$2,616.57 | | \$67,411.66 |
| Endowment Balance | \$177,930.16 | | |
| UBS Core Savings: | \$51,513.96 | | |

A check was received to close out the patio grant. \$765

We should see changes in the phone bill soon.

Book Clubs:Judy

The Adult Community Book Club will meet on Tuesday, September 17th. A discussion will be made on the book The Outsiders by S.E. Hinton and any book by author James Patterson.

The SCS Book Club will meet again starting Thursday, September 19th.

Buildings and Grounds Report:

The windows are in. Gene Blakeslee will get us on his schedule. The replacements will begin in the basement.

We are waiting for drawings from Access Elevator in regard to the lift.

The ceiling corners have been plastered and will be repainted.

The Blink System is up and running.

Fundraising: Upcoming events

Dianne will be contacting a woman she knows who is interested in doing a painting evening at the library as a fundraiser.

Events: Annual Story Walk

Saturday, October 19th 10-Noon We will do the story The Runaway Pumpkin. We will start looking for volunteers to fill the stations and provide treats. We want to reach out to the school and see if they will help us send announcements home to the youngest children.

New Business:

A partnership with Community Bank/Community Outreach holding a program to teach teens about banking and other lifelong skills.

Annual evaluations were given out to the Board Members. President Armes would like them back by Tuesday, September 17th.

CCLS Annual Meeting is October 9th. Chris and Darlene will attend the dinner and bring back information pertinent to the library and our board.

Monthly Meeting Focus Topic:

Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 1st, 2024

Adjournment: President Armes adjourned the meeting @ 6:49.

Respectfully submitted,
Judith Warren