

Minutes of the Prairie Skies Public Library District Board of Trustees

October 8th, 2024

Location: Ashland

Trustees present: Jennifer Petefish, Diane Hatcher, Jan Davis, Jon Klepzig

Trustees absent: Bob Butcher, Kevin Kesselring, Rachel Kocis

Staff present: Cindy Boehlke, Jennifer Nass

President Davis called the meeting to order at 6PM.

The agenda was adopted for the meeting on a motion made by Hatcher, seconded by Petefish. Approved by all.

The secretary's report was given, with the addition of noting that Jon Klepzig was present at the meeting. It was approved on a motion made by Petefish and seconded by Klepzig. Approved by all.

The financial report and review of Payment of Bills was given by Boehlke. A motion to approve the payment of bills was made by Petefish and seconded by Klepzig.

Aye: Klepzig, Hatcher, Petefish, Davis

Naye: None

Absent: Butcher, Kocis, Kesselring

The Director's report was given by Boehlke, highlighting the activities of staff and Boehlke in the work of the library. Statistics were also reviewed, with notes on the increase in World Share items borrowed and new stats for Kanopy and Newspaper Archive.

New Business

Boehlke brought up purchasing a phone for library use by Boehlke and other staff, when needed. The concern for FOIA and work-life balance was a concern. Davis offered an old phone to use. If that works out, we will get Tracfone service. If the phone won't work, Boehlke was approved to purchase a phone. The motion was made by Hatcher and seconded by Klepzig.

Aye: Hatcher, Petefish, Davis, Klepzig.

Naye: None

Absent: Butcher, Kesselring, Kocis

Old Business

VICC paved the lot in the rear of the Ashland location. It has a brown streaking on it. Boehlke was instructed to contact the company to see what could be done.

Boehlke has applied for three grants for Dorothy's Garden. If one of the grants is approved quickly and the weather holds out, the concrete work may be able to be accomplished this fall.

A-1 Corp. Hardware gave us a quote on work on the steel door at the rear of the Ashland location. The door is not latching correctly and there is no lock or handle on the outside of the dor. The bid was higher than the board liked, and instructed Boehlke to look for other bids.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:33pm by Davis. A motion to adjourn was made by Petefish and seconded by Klepzig. All approved of the motion.