

Centralia Public Library
Meeting Minutes
August 8th, 2024

Trustees Present: Suzanne Long, Katherine Butrum, Felicia Beckmann, Kristin Adams-Vargas, Marilyn Middleton, Melissa Maxwell, Angie Taylor, Linda Luke & Larry Dorman.

Trustees Absent: none

Others in Attendance: Director Amy Hopkins

President Luke called the meeting to order at 6:20 p.m.

Public Comments: none.

City Information Report: none.

Minutes: July meeting minutes were reviewed. Trustee Adams-Vargas made a motion to approve the July minutes and Trustee Dorman seconded. All in favor, July minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report: The July Treasurer's report was reviewed and discussed. Trustee Adams-Vargas asked about a grant or other way to fund out of district Story time visits. Board discussed keeping out of town visits to a minimum. Trustee Butrum made a motion to approve the July Treasurer's report and Trustee Dorman seconded. All in favor, report approved.

Old Business: N/A

New Business:

- A. Staff member's wishlist** - Several potential large (and small) projects were discussed including turning the west patio into a 3-seasons room with Missouri native plant/seed library, various repairs and remodeling projects, joining the Chamber of Commerce, boosting our social media presence and creating a risk management plan. Director Hopkins will organize and prioritize the list to present at next month's meeting.

Director's Report:

- Circulation report for July was viewed & discussed. Increases across the board for all children's/youth materials!! We accomplished a lot this summer!
- Pictures were shared of the 'Dinos Loose at the Library' event, Harry Potter Birthday Come & Go event, Book & Bean Pop-up storytime & Anime club.
- Summer Reading program statistics were discussed and local donors to the program were acknowledged.

- Plumber(s) will be contacted for an emergency water drain backup in the mechanical room, discovered minutes before this meeting.

Comments from Board members:

- President Luke suggested going paperless for future BoT packets. Director Hopkins will project financial and other documents using the CPL projector and laptop. Trustees will still have the option for paper documents on request.

President's Report: N/A

Closed Session: N/A

President Luke called for motions to adjourn the meeting. Trustee Taylor made a motion to adjourn, Trustee Adams-Vargas seconded, motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 7:11 pm.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be at the Centralia Public Library on September 12th, 2024 at 6:15 pm.

Submitted by
Felicia Beckmann, BOT Secretary