

ALGOMA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Minutes of October 20, 2008 Meeting

President Anne Schoenborn called the October 20, 2008 meeting of the Algoma Public Library Board of Trustees to order at 4:00 P.M. Present: Linda DeMeuse, Carolyn Wolske, Pat Cichon, Jim Barlow, Ron Welch and Director Rita Schiesser.
Excused: Jane McLaren

Motion by Wolske, second by Cichon to approve the October 2008 agenda. Motion Carried.

Motion by Barlow, second by Cichon to approve the September 2008 minutes. Motion Carried.

Motion by DeMeuse, second by Welch to approve the bills. Motion Carried

Directors Report

Statistics:

People:

4,404 people visited the library in September 2008

Daily average: 176

Circulation: 8,380 items circulated in September 2008

Daily average: 335

Donations

\$25, \$50 and \$100 (total amount of \$175) was donated to the library. The money will be used toward the purchase of a computer, monitor and software.

\$25 was donated for purchase of a book in honor of the retirement of Judy Rocque.

A subscription to the magazine *Countryside* was donated to the library.

Library Issues

Director Schiesser attended a Literacy Partners of Kewaunee County planning meeting in October. The Literacy Partners are developing their 5 year plan and were seeking input from community organizations. The meeting focused on literacy for all ages and life situations.

54 new library cards were issued during National Library Card Sign-Up month in September. The Algoma Library Friends provided a coupon for a sweet treat for those signing up for a library card.

The library's Halloween party will take place on Monday, October 20 from 6 – 7 PM. Activities are held in conjunction with the Algoma Girl Scouts, who will be providing the Haunted House. There will also be a scavenger hunt in the library, Mary Bohman and

Rita Schiesser will be reading stories and children will be able to decorate cookies in the Emergency Government kitchen.

Building Issues

The floor in the 4th Street entrance has been refinished courtesy of the Algoma Library Friends. This project was originally part of the library's 2009 long range planning and budget process.

Programs

There were 24 programs in September (6 for adults, 11 for children and 7 for families) with a total attendance of 436.

Library Budget

Barlow moved to take the \$455 reduction in the library's budget from employee retirement, second by Cichon. Motion carried.

Algoma Library Friends

The Algoma Library Friends held a successful bake sale on October 15 at the Algoma Chamber building. The Friends also funded refinishing of the 4th Street entrance.

The November agenda will include the distribution of the Director Evaluation forms.

Next meeting will be Monday, November 17, 2008 at 4 PM.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:15 PM on a motion by Welch, second by Barlow. Motion Carried

Linda DeMeuse
Secretary