

ALGOMA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD of TRUSTEES

Minutes of May 21, 2007 Meeting

President Ann Schoenborn called the May 21st, 2007 meeting of the Algoma Public Library Board of Trustees to order at 4 PM. Present: Ann Schoenborn, Linda DeMeuse, Merle Colburn, Jane McLaren, Ron Welch, Pat Cichon, Carolyn Wolske and Director Rita Schiesser. Absent: None

The May 2007 agenda was approved on a motion by Cichon, second by McLaren.

The April 2007 minutes were approved on a motion by DeMeuse, second by Colburn.

Bills were approved on a motion by Wolske, second by Welch.

Director's Report:

Stats: People: 4,252 people visited the library in April 2007, which was up 82 from April 2006. Daily average: 170. Circulation: 8,640 items circulated in April 2007. Up 523 from April 2006. Daily average: 345.

Donations: The Optimists Club of Algoma donated \$200 for a special program, "Science is Fun" as part of the summer library program. \$25 was donated for the purchase of a book in memory of Mary Ann Delveaux.

Library Issues: National Library Week was held April 16-21. A number of contests and programs were held to celebrate the week.

Kewaunee County Food Pantry sent a thank-you for food collected during the week.

Violence Intervention staff thanked the library for partnering with them in presenting Self Defense for Kids and Seed Planting programs. Both programs were well attended.

Summer Library Programs: The theme this year is "Get a Clue @ Your Library". Library staff is visiting schools in late May to promote the summer reading activities.

The Family Reading Program will coincide with the reading program for Children. Family activities are planned in July. Adults will again have their own reading program.

Programs: There were 26 programs in April (4 adult programs; 16 for children; 6 for families). Total attendance was 348.

Building Issues: A section of heating condensation pipe in the library's basement has been replaced due to a pinpoint leak.

ELECTION of OFFICERS: Trustees nominated and elected Ann Schoenborn, President; Merle Colburn, Vice President; Linda DeMeuse, Secretary.

Revisions to library policy were read, reviewed and approved on a motion by Colburn, second by McLaren

Building feasibility study prepared by Fredericksen Engineering, Inc. of Mequon, WI was distributed and reviewed by the Board. The cost to replace the system with new hot water system would be \$490,000. The firm recommended we continue to operate and maintain existing steam system for approximately the next 8 years. At that time replacement would be more easily justified.

Director Schiesser briefly reported on Trustee Day, hosted by NFLS in Green Bay. Schoenborn, DeMeuse, McLaren and Schiesser attended.

Algoma Library Friends reported on a successful Scholarship Tea and a well-attended MN Crime Wave mystery author program.

June agenda items will include a review of proposed 2008 budget.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:50 on a motion by Cichon, second by Wolske.

Next meeting will be June 18, 2007.

Pat Cichon

Secretary