

ALGOMA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Minutes of December 20, 2010 Meeting

President Ann Schoenborn called the December 20, 2010 meeting of the Algoma Public Library Board of Trustees to order at 4:00 P.M. Present: Carolyn Wolske, Linda DeMeuse, Ron Welch, Nancy Kratz, Pat Cichon and Director Rita Schiesser.

Excused: Jim Barlow

Open Forum: No comment

Motion by DeMeuse second by Kratz to approve the December 2010 agenda. Motion Carried.

Motion by Kratz second by Wolske to approve the November 2010 minutes. Motion Carried.

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

Directors Report

Statistics:

People:

4,197 people visited the library in November 2010

Daily average: 168

Circulation:

8,252 items circulated in November 2010

Daily average: 330

Internet statistics: 991 internet uses

Wireless Use: 52 unique users, 254 sessions

Donations

No monetary donations in November.

Library Issues

E-Commerce – Library patrons can now pay fines, bills and manual charges online with a credit card using e-commerce via their library account in InfoSoup. Libraries where the item is owned receive a check from OWLS once the amount is over \$10.

Library Legislative Day will be held on Tuesday, February 22. This is an opportunity to remind representatives of the importance of libraries.

Bloodborne pathogen training has been moved to January 12, 2011.

Lisa VanAlstine will receive training on the use of portable Job kits loaned from the Nicolet Federated Library System. Training will be provided by Job Center personnel. The portable kit includes 4 laptop computers which were purchased through an LSTA grant to provide assistance to those seeking employment.

Virginia Johnson, author of the book Here Comes the Mail, has expressed her intent to donate the profits from the sale of her book to the Algoma Public Library with the understanding that the

funds be placed in an endowment named for Carl R Kannerwurf, PhD and Patricia Sharpe and the interest used to support the genealogy/local history area of the library.

In addition, Virginia has indicated her intention to assign her copyright to the Algoma Public Library for the scanned and key-worded materials she will also be donating which were given to her by the Sharpe family for completion of the book. Funds raised by the sale of copies of these materials are to be designated as a memorial to Carl R Kannerwurf and Patricia Sharpe and be used for the genealogy/local history collection.

148 adults and children attended Milk and Cookies with Santa on December 4, sponsored by the Algoma Optimists.

Library staff received a thank you note from a family expressing their appreciation for saving them over \$1,000 in fiction for their children through the interlibrary loan system.

Programs

There were 41 programs in November (16 for adults, 13 for families and 12 for children) with a total attendance of 476.

Other Issues

Motion by Cichon, second by Welch to move any remaining funds in the city portion of the budget to capital improvement and earmark these funds to be carried over to 2011. Funds will be used to cover the cost of the A/C units. Motion carried.

The Director's evaluation was discussed and a copy will be placed in the Director's file.

Welch moved, second by Wolske to pay the end of the year budget item bills. Motion carried.

Algoma Library Friends

Algoma Library Friends had nothing to report.

January agenda items include the NFLS subprogram.

Next meeting will be Monday, January 17, 2011 at 4 PM.

Meeting was adjourned on a motion by Kratz, and second by Welch at 4:17 PM. Motion Carried.

Linda DeMeuse, Secretary