

ALGOMA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Minutes of September 21, 2009 Meeting

President Ann Schoenborn called the September 21, 2009 meeting of the Algoma Public Library Board of Trustees to order at 4:00 P.M. Present: Ann Schoenborn, Pat Cichon, Linda DeMeuse, Jim Barlow, Ron Welch and Director Rita Schiesser.

Excused: Carolyn Wolske and Jane McLaren

Open Forum: No comment

Motion by Cichon second by Welch to approve the September 2009 agenda. Motion Carried.

Motion by Barlow, second by Cichon to approve the August 2009 minutes. Motion Carried.

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

Directors Report

Statistics:

People:

4,224 people visited the library in August 2009

Daily average: 169

Circulation: 8,739 items circulated in August 2009

Daily average: 350

Donations

\$217 was collected during the Ecumenical Service during Shanty Days and donated to the library for the purchase of books on disc.

\$5 was donated in memory of Lorraine Kohlbeck.

The library received items donated through the library's Wish List on amazon.com. Items included 9 DVD's and 1 book.

Library Issues

The Algoma Public Library was awarded a \$1,000 Economic Development grant from the Algoma Utilities, with funds from WPPI, to set up an Employment Station in the library. The funds will be used to purchase a computer, monitor and software. The equipment has been ordered.

Summer Library Program reports were submitted by library staff. The theme for 2009 was "Be Creative at Your Library".

The library will be participating in the “Eric Carle Caterpillar Reading Program” sponsored by the Nicolet Federated Library System in conjunction with Weidner Center Presents. The program will take place between November 2 and November 30. If a child reads 5 books they can submit their name for a drawing to win two tickets to see the performance of “The Very Hungry Caterpillar and Other Eric Carle Favorites” and be able to attend a “Hungry Caterpillar” dessert reception after the performance at the Weidner Center.

Increases in health insurance were discussed.

The City Council will be reviewing department budgets on September 30.

Programs

There were 11 programs in August (6 for adults and 5 for families) with a total attendance of 129.

Other Issues

The Summer Library Program report was presented.

The library budget was discussed.

The Algoma Library Friends will be holding a Bake Sale on October 9, 2009 at the Algoma Visitors Center.

October agenda items include report on the library budget.

Next regular meeting will be on Monday, October 19, 2009 at 4 PM.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:25 PM on a motion by Cichon, second by Barlow. Motion carried.

Linda DeMeuse, Secretary