

MENOMINEE COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD

Minutes October 9, 2018

Approved: November 13, 2018

C. Peterson called the meeting of the Menominee County Library Board to order at 4:01 PM on Tuesday October 9, 2018.

Present: C. Peterson, J. Freis, N. Tuinstra, M. Fagan and Commissioner L. Schei.
Excused: A. Rivard.

J. Freis moved to approve the agenda, support by M. Fagan. Motion carried.

Public Participation: No public present.

M. Fagan moved to approve the minutes from the September 11, 2018 meeting, support by J. Freis. Motion carried.

September and Fiscal year end financials were not yet available, they will be reviewed at the next regular Library Board meeting.

N. Tuinstra moved to approve the October bills, support by M. Fagan. Motion carried.

Director's Report

The Upper Peninsula Library meeting was very informative with lots of good ideas. Two programs that we are incorporating are: 1. BASIC developed by professors at Michigan Technology University. This program has guidelines and teaching strategies for library staff who are helping individuals with their personal technology issues and questions during a one on one tutoring session. 2. "Across the Miles" is an initiative of the Escanaba Public. This program allows people to use their local library as a Skype location and to use library technology and connectivity if they do not have their own.

The Friends of the Library are selling tickets for their annual raffle, which will be held on November 3rd. The raffle prizes are in the display case. The Friends fall meeting is on October 14th at the Belgiumtown restaurant.

Our Community Engagement Project was selected by the U of M Library School. I talked with our project's leader. The semester ends in December and they will create a profile report and provide us with the data they collect.

The Bookmobile was built longer than was specified in the bid documents. I have talked to the vendor and he agrees that it was their error. I have also talked to Jim Mekash and we are going to get some bids on modifying the front wall with a bump out so the Bookmobile will fit in the garage. This project is expected to be done before winter.

I am also working on telephone service to the Hermansville Branch. Our bill has almost tripled since last month. I am holding the current bill waiting for the response from AT&T.

New Business: no new business at this time.

Old Business

Emergency Closing Policy: J. Freis moved to approve the revised Emergency Closing Policy. Support by M. Fagan. Motion carried.

Public Participation: No public present.

As there was no further business, M. Fagan moved to adjourn the meeting, support by N. Tuinstra. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 4:31 PM.

Submitted by:

Amanda Winnicki, Library Director