

K. McNeely called the regular meeting of the Menominee County Library Board to order at 4:31 PM on Tuesday, April 17, 2007.

Roll call was taken and present were J. Bejgrowicz, M. Erdman, K. McNeely and S. Parsons. K. Bates was excused.

J. Bejgrowicz moved to approve the agenda. Seconded by S. Parsons, motion carried.

Public Participation:

There was no public participation at this time.

M. Erdman moved to approve the minutes from the March 20, 2007 meeting. Seconded by J. Bejgrowicz, motion carried.

M. Erdman moved to approve the financial report. Seconded by S. Parsons, motion carried.

J. Bejgrowicz moved to approve the April bills. Seconded by S. Parsons, motion carried.

Director's Report

A. The statistics for March were distributed in the board packets.

B. The Friends of the Library will be meeting on Thursday, April 19 at 6:30 PM.

The Friends hosted a Pajama Story Time on Friday, March 30 at 6:30 at the library. Jenni Grabowski from the Menominee/Delta Health Department, Peggi Carrier, and several other Friends read to the children. Everyone made an Easter bunny craft and then enjoyed juice and animal crackers. Twenty-seven children and twenty adults attended.

C. We ordered special library bags for the bookmobile to use for community and station stops. They were using grocery bags that weren't sturdy enough.

D. The Fiscal Year 2007-2008 budget packets are due in the Administrator's office on May 15, 2007. No salary or benefit figures are currently available. Computer expenses will be deleted from individual department budgets and added to an administrative budget. After discussion, the board directed P. Cheski to submit a preliminary budget.

Old Business:

A. Handicap Accessible Entry Doors – After speaking with Steve Wery several times, a technician from Entrance Technologies replaced the transmitter and battery in the outside push button, and it has now been working. However, the left door still won't lock properly. We are securing the building at night, and P. Cheski will contact Steve about adjusting the door again.

B. State Librarian's Town Meeting in Escanaba on April 18 -- C. Laurin and P. Cheski will be attending this meeting. Several other people will also try to be there. Nancy Robertson, State Librarian, will be using the information she compiles at these meetings to help her set priorities in the Library of Michigan's budget.

New Business:

- A. U.P.R.L.C. and Superiorland Librarians Advisory Meetings on April 16 in Marquette – P. Cheski distributed copies of the pertinent information obtained at these two meetings. The financial situation looks quite grim for libraries and library cooperatives in Michigan.

Other Board Concerns: There were no other board concerns at this time.

Public Participation: There was no public participation at this time.

As there was no further business, S. Parsons moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by J. Bejgrowicz, the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 5:02 PM.