

**Kiester Library Board
Minutes
January 14th, 2021 6:00 p.m.**

Meeting called to order: President Dawn Flaskerud called the meeting to order and did roll call

Members present: Dawn Flaskerud, Judy Goggin, Karen Busch, Marcia Dahleen & Library Coordinator Kristy Flaskerud

Members absent: Vickie Savick

Minutes: December 17th, 2020 minutes reviewed and approved with a motion by Judy, second by Karen.

Discussion

1. Still have not got the donation from the Wells Bank. Dawn sent an email to the Wells Bank describing the kid's room updates.
2. The board discussed purchasing prizes for the summer kids' reading program. Judy & Rich have two very slightly used bicycles they are willing to sell to the library for \$100 for both bikes. The board approved the purchase of the bikes. Next the board discussed purchase options for a hover board as a prize. The cost of a hover board is \$140 - \$170 dollars, to be covered by the donation from Wells Bank. The board approved the purchase of the hover board if the Wells Bank donation is received in the next week.
3. What prizes to use for the adult reading program was the next topic of discussion. One possibility would be to get more of the Kiester Library book bags as prizes. The library currently has hot chocolate, books, and leftover gifts from the little shopper's event. The board decided to use the currently available prizes. However, it was proposed to have the design of Kiester Library book bag ready to go for whenever there is a sale on book bags.
4. Dawn presented the board with an update on expenditures from the SMIF grant money. The total grant was \$3,155.00. So far \$1,175.00 has been spent on the two new computers and \$678.00 on books. Leaving \$1302.00 available for book purchases.
5. Dawn wondered if it was possible for the library to get a preloaded visa gift card from the city to facilitate purchasing books from Amazon and EBay. A motion was made by Karen, seconded by Marcia, to have the city purchase a \$400.00 prepaid visa card for book purchases from the SMIF grant and \$150.00 prepaid visa gift card from library funds for other book purchases.
6. Dawn and Kristy proposed having an event at the theater in April to mark the end of the kid's reading contest. Only kids that participated in the reading contest would be eligible to attend. Contest prizes would be awarded at the event. The kids would also be treated to a movie and popcorn. The event would be promoted by posting flyers around town and handing out flyers to the kids on the school bus.
7. A bunch of Valentines were donated to the library and will be made available to children who visit the library.
8. Marcia reported that the library was under budget for the year.

New business

- 1) Library attendance for December was 101 people, 84 adults and 17 children. Checkouts Including 57 adult fiction, 17 junior fiction, 7 non-fiction, 3 audio books, 2 MP3 players, 8 DVDs, and 3 computer users.
- 2) Dawn presented a list of new books for February.
- 3) The city council approved the low bid, from The Square Yard, for new blinds in the front windows.
- 4) There was an issue with snow blowing into the book drop. It was decided to post online asking residents to put returned books in plastic bags during the winter.

Motion by Marcia, second by Judy to adjourn at about 6:45 p.m. The next meeting will be Thursday, March 11th, 2021 @ 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Judy Goggin