

ROBERT W. BARLOW MEMORIAL LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES

Monday, March 4, 2023 5:30 P.M.

Robert W. Barlow Memorial Library Community Room

Board of Trustees president, Jerry Lehtola, called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm. Other board members present were: Alison Campbell, Brad Cutler, Sarah Gilbert, Dawn Parker, and Mike Rottink. Also present was Erin Finnegan-Andrews, library director.

The agenda for the meeting was presented and approved. (Parker/Cutler)

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as printed. (Campbell/Cutler)

The bills from February were presented for the Board's review. Quarterly maintenance was completed on the copier and annual access to movie viewing was paid. Approval was given for payment of the bills. (Rottink/Gilbert)

The Monthly Report and the Director's Report to the Board were presented.

*Lots of patrons came to the library in February, with the highest door count since November.

*The Gift Account balance is \$122,166.55.

*The Seed Swap program was very successful, with about 60 patrons in attendance.

*All the spots for the Paint and Sip event have been reserved, with another ten people on a wait list.

*Lots of programming coming up:

- Easter Program - Saturday, March 23rd from 12:30-2:00pm
- Iowa author Linda McCann - March 26th at 5:30pm
- ECC Without Borders - April 1

The Friends of the Library are considering adding a quarterly email newsletter.

There was no input from the public at the meeting.

Items for Discussion:

*The board reviewed the Library Personnel Policy. The policy was approved as presented. (Rottink/Parker)

*Erin provided an update on proposed state legislation impacting libraries.

Gilbert moved to adjourn. Parker provided the second. The meeting adjourned at 6:21 pm.

The next meeting will be at the library on Wednesday, April 3, 2024 at 5:30 pm.

Submitted by Sarah Gilbert