

ROBERT W. BARLOW MEMORIAL LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES

Monday, January 3, 2022 5:33 P.M.

Robert W. Barlow Memorial Library Community Room

Board of Trustees president, Jerry Lehtola, called the meeting to order at 5:33 pm. Other board members present were: Alison Campbell, Brad Cutler, Sarah Gilbert, Dawn Parker, Mike Rottink, and Madeleine Weeks. 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. (Parker/Cutler)

The bills from December were presented for the Board's review. The annual Hardin County Assistance payment was received, significantly less than previous years due to fewer patrons from outside Iowa Falls using library services. The HVAC repair was completed, and more work was done in the men's restroom. Approval was given for payment of the bills.

(Parker/Gilbert)

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

*Audiobook and headphone circulation was strong in December, and the first ice skates of the season were checked out. Twenty people attended the Jane Austen program and 200 craft kits were distributed last month.

*The Gift Account balance is \$126,497.56.

*Yoga will begin again on January 11, and LEGO Club will first meet on January 13 from 3:30 to 5:00.

*The electronic community sign in front of the library will soon be replaced, and library staff will take over the programming.

*The charging station has been purchased and installed.

The Friends of the Library appointed the scholarship committee and approved reimbursement for craft kit costs.

There was no input from the public at the meeting.

Items for Discussion:

*The Board reviewed the Library Meeting Room Policy and approved the document as amended. (Parker/Cutler)

*The Board reviewed data and responses from the State Library's survey on fines.

*The Board approved the purchase of Launchpad tablets for preK and elementary ages, not to exceed \$600. (Parker/Gilbert)

*The Library Director presented information about the Hoopla subscription service, with more information to come next month.

Parker moved to adjourn. Weeks provided the second. The meeting adjourned at 6:37 pm.

The next meeting will be at the library on Monday, February 7, 2022 at 5:30 pm.

Submitted by Sarah Gilbert