

SOMONAUK PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

August 8, 2023

The regular meeting was called to order by President Roberta Mickelson at 4:00P.M.

In attendance were Marilyn Abbott, Chris Gresk, Tom Harmon, Paula Moore, Gina Skofich, Cindy Westbrook and Library Director Julie Harte Fischer.

Skofich moved to accept the July minutes as corrected. Motion carried. There was no correspondence.

The treasurer reported bills have been paid and she gave the budget report. Westbrook moved to approve the report and pay current bills. Motion carried. Payment received from LaSalle County amounted to \$96,960.18.

The Director reported the following for July:

- 7003 items circulated.
- nineteen new patrons enrolled.
- \$134.30 collected from copies/faxes.
- \$73.45 in fines.
- \$.80 donation.

American Seal & Stripes repaired the blacktop parking lot and prairie path at a cost of \$9,838. Storm related damage to the roof was repaired at a cost of \$950.

Summer reading programs are ending – children's on August 3 and adult's on August 14. Jim Gibbons will present 'The Life of Elvis' on August 16.

Harte Fischer has applied for a grant from the International Federation of Library Associations and for others.

The proposed Annual Budget and Appropriation Ordinance hearing will be presented at the public meeting on September 12. Attorney Richard Burton and accountant Paul Danekas have reviewed the proposed budget with the Director.

Abbott and Mickelson will conduct the annual examination and review of board meeting minutes.

Staff member Betty Yoeckel is retiring September 1. A luncheon celebrating her will be held and a gift of a clock engraved with the library's appreciation will be presented. Jennifer Blazejack will be appointed to the position with responsibility for both circulation and interlibrary loan.

A model of an electric sign for the library has been sent to Somonauk Village Hall for approval.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:40P.M.

The next regular meeting, a public meeting, will be held September 12, 2023 at 4:00P.M.

Paula Moore, Secretary