

# MENOMINEE COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD

Minutes January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Approved: February 7<sup>th</sup>. 2024

A. Burger called the meeting of the Menominee County Library Board to order at 4:02 PM on Wednesday, January 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

Present: A. Rivard, J. Slavick, A. Burger, R. Seidlitz, M. Lyons, and Library Director Heather Harris.

Commissioner Westrich absent excused

J. Slavick moved to approve the agenda, support by M. Lyons. Motion carried.

**Public Participation:** No public present.

J. Slavick moved to approve the minutes from the November 8<sup>th</sup> meeting, support by R. Seidlitz. Motion carried.

M. Lyons moved to approve the financial reports, support by A. Rivard. Motion carried.

M. Lyons moved to approve the current bills, support by A. Rivard. Motion carried.

## **Director's Report**

The State Aid report for the 22/23 FY is complete. I submitted it this week. Some statistics to report are as follows:

Checkouts: 25,314 Children's items, 24,802 Adult items, 3526 Libby (Electronic), a total of 54,131 items which also includes Library of Things – kids activity bags, metal detectors, cake pans, etc.

2913 Reference questions from patrons. These are patron interactions that take more than a couple minutes. These include computer help, device help, and looking up information.

We had 469 new patrons sign up this year. We have a total of 4625 active patrons.

We had 36,081 library visits. 16,300 website visits.

There were 2276 public computer uses, 11,988 Wi-Fi logins.  
The bookmobile had 4801 people interactions with 18,399 checkouts.  
Hermansville branch had 3586 visits with 5631 checkouts.  
The entire report is available if anyone would like a copy.  
Other updates are that the new shelving for the children's area is a go. \$12,000 is coming from the friends and the remaining \$13,899.99 was approved by the commissioners and that amount is being reimbursed from a grant that the ISD received. There will be about \$2200 remaining for our library to use from that grant, which will tentatively go for our Summer Reading program.  
Hermansville is looking wonderful. The painting is almost complete, and the new blinds are up. Paint and supplies were purchased by Meyer township and the blinds are from the Friends.

**Commissioner's Report:** Commissioner Westrich was not present, but had relayed to A. Burger that there had been a lot of discussion about the county parks.

#### **New Business**

- A. The February meeting will be the reorganizational meeting.
- B. A. Burger would like an updated contact list.
- C. A. Burger would like Director Harris to inquire about having an alternate board seat, one who could step in to have a quorum if needed.

#### **Old Business**

None

**Public Participation:** No Public Present.

As there was no further business, M. Lyons moved to adjourn the meeting, support by R. Seidlitz. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 4:26 PM.

Submitted by: Heather Harris, Library Director