

# MENOMINEE COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD

Minutes March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024

Approved: April 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024

A. Berger called the meeting of the Menominee County Library Board to order at 4:04 PM on Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

Present: A. Rivard, A. Berger, R. Seidlitz, M. Lyons, Commissioner Phelps and Library Director Heather Harris.

J. Slavick Absent Excused

M. Lyons moved to approve the agenda, support by A. Berger. Motion carried.

**Public Participation:** No public present.

M. Lyons moved to approve the minutes from the February 7<sup>th</sup> meeting, support by A. Rivard. Motion carried.

M. Lyons moved to approve the financial reports, support by R. Seidlitz. Motion carried.

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

## **Director's Report**

February statics – we had 16 new patrons register. Hermansville branch had 445 checkouts and a total of 359 visits, the bookmobile had 2212 checkouts and a total of 410 visits. The main library had 2589 checkouts with a total of 2217 visits.

March 23<sup>rd</sup> we will have the Easter Bunny here and an Easter Egg hunt. Several local people have put this on for a few years now. It's always a big turnout, barring we do not have the blizzard like we did last year.

We now have a public performance license, so we are able to show movies here. I'd like to have our first official movie here in April.

We have replaced the old catalog computers with Chromebooks. We have also replaced our 3 oldest patron computers. One is back with Superiorland where IT is located, it has a software issue where the sound won't play. These machines were all made possible through a grant from the Public Library Association and AT&T.

On February 19<sup>th</sup> four of the staff, including myself, were able to go to the Dickinson County Library for some training. One of the sessions was on Mel.org and all of its resources. If you have not heard of it, you must check it out. It's definitely an underused wealth of information. We also had a library law session which was very enlightening and led me to look closer at our current policies.

**Commissioner's Report:** L. Phelps informed the Board about the three separate millages on the ballot this August. The library and 911 are a renewal. The Road Commission is a new millage. L. Phelps stated concern with three millages on the ballot. He encouraged us to make our presence known in the city of Menominee.

**New Business**

- A. Proposed updates and additions to the library policies.
  - a. The Board approved of the updates and addition. They want it to go to the county lawyer for his assessment.
- B. Dates closed for Easter
  - a. Director Harris asked for Board approval to be closed the Saturday before Easter since the library will be closed Friday and Monday. M. Lyons motioned to approve, seconded by A. Berger. Motion carried

**Old Business**

None

**Public Participation:** No Public Present.

As there was no further business, A. Berger moved to adjourn the meeting, support by M. Lyons. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 4:39 PM.

Submitted by: Heather Harris, Library Director