

Florence County Library Board Meeting

June 9, 2016

The meeting of the Florence County Library Board was called to order by Vice Chairman Holly Wahlstrom-Stratton on Thursday, June 9, 2016 at 4 PM in the library meeting room. Verification of meeting notice was given by Stephanie Weber, librarian. Board members present were: Holly, Tom Jonet, Ed Kelley, Jan Gehlhoff, Nancy Miller, Debbie DeMuri and Stephanie. Ben Niehaus was excused.

- On motion by Tom, seconded by Debbie to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
- On motion by Ed, seconded by Jan to approve the April 14, 2016 minutes. Motion carried.
- On motion by Ed, seconded by Tom to approve the April and May bills and pass them on to Audit and Budget. Motion carried.

Old Business:

There was no security issues. A joint meeting of the Library Board and School Building and Grounds committee will meet on October 13th. It was noted the stained tiles in the meeting room had not been replaced. Debbie brought it to the attention of the Board that storage for the library is very limited. At present, the School Board has talked about removing the green house attached to the library meeting room. Now the library uses the green house for storage and it would be nice if it could remain.

New Business:

Stephanie said Tot Time will be extended starting this fall. It would be held the first, third, and fourth Friday mornings. About 10-15 tots and parents attend this activity. Storytime will continue to be the second Saturday.

A question to Stephanie regarding feeling safe when exiting the building was asked. Stephanie indicated she felt safe. Whether there was adequate lighting outside the building was asked and Stephanie said it was sufficient. Holly suggested that the sheriff's patrol might ride by at closing.

Librarian Comments:

- The summer reading program started on Tuesday and will continue for 5 more weeks. Cost of programming is expensive. Stephanie said Nicolet will not provide an entertainer for one of the days next year as they have always done.
- Stephanie has been asked to be on a PLSR committee dealing with resource libraries. Most meetings will be via computer, but some will require traveling at a distance. Hotel will be paid for, but the group asked Stephanie to find it they would pay for mileage/subs.
- Donations of \$250 have been received from Shopko and Dickinson Community Foundation.

Friends Update:

- A rummage sale was held during the community sales day. Exact total was not known, but should be over \$1,000. The funds are used to support activities budgeted.

- The second fundraiser of the Friends is a raffle of 9 different baskets. Donations of money, certificates or items from local businesses were used to put the baskets together. Tickets are \$1 each or 6/\$5. The drawing will be July 23. These funds are used to support activities budgeted.
- The Friends have received the 100+ Women's organization donation of nearly \$24,000. Planning has started on 2 projects to further literacy in our county: Books on a Bus and Little Free Libraries.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned until August 11, 2016 at 4 PM in the library meeting room.

Debra DeMuri

Secretary