

Modale Library Board Meeting

May 31, 2022

In attendance: Jennifer Skinner Kim Bentsen D. Pratt
Ruth Zahner Chris Skinner Lisa Vavra
Susan Kirlin Sheri Schulz

Month of May Statistics:

Circulation: 30 Door Count: 96 ILLs: 8

The meeting was called to order by Vice President Jennifer

New board of trustee members Kim Bentsen and Christopher Skinner were welcomed.

The April 26th and the April 28th minutes were read and *approved*.

Diane presented her time card of 46 hrs. and a time card of 4 hrs. for Lisa Vavra , library substitute.

Bills presented: \$308.55 for bar code scanner, \$12 for magazine subscription, \$93 for Times newspaper 2-yr. subscription. Reimbursement bills from Diane for \$8.03 (planters) and \$32.18 (supplies for coffee bar).

Jennifer moved we pay the time cards and bills as presented. Susan seconded. *Carried*.

A bill of \$322.08 was presented by Jennifer for the landscaping plants. Kim moved we approve the reimbursement to Jennifer for the plants. Ruth seconded. *Carried*.

This payment will come out of the donation from the Modale Community Donation.

The Financial Report was reviewed with discussion of remaining funds to use by end of June.

The Amazon password and access is needed from the City Clerk, as well as the green dot credit card.

Susan will ask the town for a key to give to Lisa Vavra, our Substitute Librarian – paperwork needs to be done with city for payment – equal to librarian’s pay.

The Tier 1 approval was received for our library! **Expires June 30, 2024.**

Jennifer has finished the landscape planting in front.

The \$1,800 Jimmy King Grant was discussed. Jennifer is working on list of large print books to be ordered. Input from Diane is welcome. Ruth presented the magnifying lamp to be ordered with the grant. \$114.99 + shipping and handling. Will order all at same time from Amazon.

Kim moved for the Librarian to purchase a vacuum with limit of \$200. Chris seconded. *Carried*

New computers were discussed. Sheri will research and bring estimates for the next meeting.

The Open House was held for our new Librarian and was well attended.

The kids enjoyed the Saturday craft time with Lisa.

Election of Officers: Nominations and voting results: *Carried*

Jennifer Skinner – President

Kim Bentsen – Vice-President

Ruth Zahner - Secretary

Jennifer will update the front page of the Trustee Handbook for next meeting.

The Summer Reading Program, “Read Beyond the Beaten Path,” will be every Thursday in June from 5-6 p.m. The participants and their families are invited to the United Methodist church at 6 for a light meal.

The Facebook page still cannot be opened for a new administrator, so we agreed for Diane to start a new Facebook page- Modale Public Library (Iowa). Kim will look into deleting the old Facebook page.

New Summer Hours are posted.

It was suggested we have a Wish List on the website to have community be aware of ways to donate.

Diane led the board members through her plans for furniture arrangements and book shelving organization. Painting projects and culling goals were discussed. Books and magazines culled and things not needed will be out for the City Wide Garage Sale on June 11th. She gave her assessment of needs and goals to be worked on in order of priorities.

Chris brought up that Modale will be celebrating its 150th anniversary in 2 years (2024) and perhaps we could soon start asking the community for memories or favorite Modale stories. This will be posted on the Library webpage and also on Facebook.

Diane’s vacation week will be covered by Lisa, June 13 – 17.

Chris will give the Library Report to the Town Council at the meeting on June 13.

Susan moved to adjourn, Ruth seconded. *Meeting adjourned.*

Next meeting will be **June 28, 5:00 p.m.**

