Modale Public Library

Board Meeting Minutes

December 19, 2023

Present: Jennifer Skinner

Diane Pratt

Ruth Zahner

Christopher Skinner

President Jennifer called the meeting to order. The minutes were read and approved.

The Librarian's timecard of 42.75 hours was presented. The Green Dot card expenses -\$125.00 (phone and books), Amazon expenses- \$ 245.26 (smoke/CO2 detector, memory stick, books) and Walmart card expense of \$59.22 - pest control plugs and dinner for Children Night. Chris moved we pay the timecard and expenses as presented. Ruth seconded. Carried.

Circulation: 57

ILLS: 8

Door Count: 100

iPad: 26

Computers: 9

We have received the Open-Access - ILL reimbursement of \$204.85.

We discussed getting an AED (defibrillator) for the library. Jennifer will check into the costs and possibly a grant.

The Winter Break Hours were adjusted again and will be posted.

Final plans were made for the New Year's Eve Celebration for Saturday, December 30 - 11:00 to 1:00.

The Children's Night at the Library was fun. Diane would like to do it again.

The Financial Report from the town is now reconciled with our Financial Report!! Issues were resolved.

The Magician for this summer has been booked with a down payment on Dec. 16

January to May the hours will be 15 hours per week. (Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday - 4:15 - 7:15 and Saturday 9-3).

The Monthly Activities and Monthly Goals were reviewed and discussed. A new 2024 calendar will be adjusted.

We discussed the Harrison County Levy changes for the Libraries in the County. The towns of Modale and Mondamin had raised the levy, but it has now expired, and the County only gives the minimum. Diane has a comparison chart of various town's levies and there will be a meeting with the Board of Supervisors on December 29 at 9:30am with all county librarians and any trustees to plead with them to raise the levy.

We also discussed our Tier Status. Diane says the only point that is holding us from being Tier 2, is being open 20 hours a week. After looking at her comparison of what it would cost in wages, etc. to what we would be financially compensated for by the State, it was agreed it was not worth it. The Board is satisfied with our Tier 1 status.

January 30th will be the next meeting at 5:30 p.m.

Ruth moved we adjourn.

Chris seconded.

Meeting adjourned.

Ruth Zahner, secretary