

October Meeting Minutes

Genesee Area Library board meeting minutes for 10/14/24. Meeting was called to order by President Chris Moser at 6:36 pm.

Attendance: Chris Moser (Pres/Co-Tres), Nate Pott Jr (Vice Pres), Kristine Smith (Tres), Sue Reed(Sec), Alexandra Pott, Trinity Cowburn, and Erica Moses(Lib Director)

Absent: Jackie Sprow

Motion was made to accept the September meeting minutes by Trinity, 2nd by Nate, unanimous motion carried.

Treasurer Report by Kristine Smith

Balances at bank 9/30/24:

Checking \$33,917.07

Savings \$3,715.93

Debits in the month of \$3,487.69

Credits of \$0

Quarterly reports will be filed.

Treasurers report given during November Meeting and a motion was made to accept the September treasurer report by Jackie, 2nd by Trinity, unanimous motion carried.

Directors Report by Erica Moses

September Patron Count: 93 Adults, 34 Kids (7 New)

New Items: 37

Deleted Items: 5

Resource Sharing IN: 7

Resource Sharing OUT: 16

I sent write ups for the Holiday fest out to Solomons, the Big Pig, WJQZ and a few other Facebook groups.

HP Tech was in and fixed our large format printer.

In order to receive reimbursements for the grants, I needed to apply for a vendor number with the state and be approved to do business with them. The number was received on 10/8

We currently have a discount with Frontier set to expire in November. Reached out to Zitomeia about fiber and phone but have not received a reply. Currently the discount on frontier is \$40. I can

try and secure another discount, but nothing is guaranteed, and it would lock us back under a contract.

In contact with the local Homeschool Co-op. Hoping to partner with them on an ongoing basis to provide programming and support.

CFTT Grant was submitted on 9/18 to fund the Little Free Library and confirmation of receipt received.

Director's Meeting: Leslie wants to increase the monies for the Directors for next year. With the conference being in Erie, she feels a lot of us would be able to attend and by increasing it would cover almost all of the cost. This comes from the CCA funds received and we also discussed what else to use that money for.

Leslie was also approached by KINBER about applying for a system wide grant. If it gets approved, all of our libraries will be receiving a stipend over a three-year period for hosting someone hired to discuss and collect data on community needs in regard to broadband and technology access.

DAC is looking for more trustees to attend their meetings if anyone is interested in going.

Old Business:

Holiday Fest- currently have 21 vendors, using 30 tables. Ann Reiter dropped off some business cards to Erica to contact possibly more vendors. Sue will plan to go to Whitesville and NOPO's vendor and craft shows to try and scout out more vendors. After attending NOPO's will need to let Chris know if anyone filled out application and paid as she will be working on the mapping. The sign up for vendors will close on 11/4. Yard signs will need to be put up. Sue will do Genesee, Chris will do Whitesville, Kristine will do Wellsville, Nate will do Gold and Alex will do Coudersport, and more posters should be put up in town and surrounding areas. Menu items will remain the same. Each board member is asked to supply a Chinese Auction item. Board members assigned to make either chili, sloppy joes, hamburger soup and bake for the bake sale. Assignments will be determined at 11/4 Bizarre meeting.

Printer - it has been fixed!

New Business:

Budget - Erica asked to increase collections, office supplies and increase in wages & salary & benefits. Motion made by Kristine to approve the budget, 2nd by Chris, unanimous motion carried. Chris will go to the next Township meeting on 11/12/24 to propose the budget to them.

Chris will attend the PTLs meeting on Oct 15th.

Nalox box is here and needs added to the front. Kristine made motion to put it up, 2nd by Nate, unanimous motion carried.

CFTT grant was received for the Little Free Library.

Frontier discount is set to end in January. Erica made a recommendation to check into Zito who is putting up fiber in our area. She will call and get prices. Once she has prices she will contact the board via email for us to make a decision on what we should do.

Next meeting: 11/4/24 - Holiday Fest organizational meeting

Next regular board meeting: Nov. 18 2024 @ 6:30

Motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 by Trinity Cowburn, 2nd by Kristine, unanimous motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Sue Reed

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