ONTARIO LIBRARY DISTRICT BOARD MINUTES

March 14, 2024

 Roll Call: Lynelle Christiani ____Jean Findley _____Randall Kirby _____ Patricia Maldonado ______Siri Jackman _____Darlyne Johnson ______Beulah Carroll _____

Board Members 3 Jean Findley and Lynelle Christiani were excused.

ATEENDES ON ZOOM- 0

The meeting was called to order by Board Chair, Patricia Maldonado at 5:04.

- 1. Public and Staff comments
 - No comments at this time.
- 2. Motion to adopt the entire agenda.
 - Randall Kirby made a motion to adopt the entire agenda and Siri Jackman seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3/0.
- 3. Motion to adopt the minutes as printed.
 - Siri Jackman made a motion to adopt the minutes as printed and Randall Kirby seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3/0.
- 4. Motion to pay the bills as printed.
 - Randall Kirby made a motion to accept the bills as corrected and Siri Jackman seconded the motion. All were in favor. 3/0.
- 5. Unfinished Business:
 - a. Update on Library
 - 1. The library seems to be doing fine.
 - a. The only thing was the fire alarm company came and did the yearly inspection. They found that we have to replace the batteries. The invoice will be approximately 2400.00. I have submitted the request and it will be done asap.

We are still working on the bids for the pavement.

We are starting to work on the budget. We will have budget hearings April 11 and May 9th. The library has a budget hearing with the county on April 23 at 2 p.m.

The seed library was discussed. Darlyne had information from other libraries in Oregon and the State Library. We will proceed with it but will be very cautious. It will only be vegetables and herbs. People will record what they give to the seed library and what they take. They can take up to 4 items at a time. We will use an old card catalog which the people working with the seed library will help the librarians get it started and help maintain it. They are very excited.

The library is looking at adding some apps. For our patrons. One is the Manga language app. It has 50 languages including English that you can learn. It has the American Sign language app. So you can

learn sign language and all the apps. are geared for Adults and young students. It was approved to move forward.

We are also looking at an app. to use during the summer reading program and other times. This one is with Barnes and Noble and a group who does children's programs. It also has ebooks for teens and younger children. It includes some Spanish Activities. This also was approved. National Library week is coming April 7 thru April 13. We will have activities, raffles and programs. The new bookmobile will be here for the open house from 3-5. The Friends will be here at a table. This also is Military Children month. We will have the American Legion Auxiliary at a table representing the military.

- b. because there has been some controversy about different things that the libraries do. One library in Oregon was told they could not have their book club in their meeting room. It sounded like the book club was reading about social issues. They were told they could not have anything political in the meeting room. Our library does not do any political or religious meetings In the meeting room. Darlyne wanted the board to be aware of this and the book that was going to be the community read. The board was fine with it. Darlyne will keep them informed if she hears anything from the state or other libraries.
- 6. New Business:
 - Anything else to be brought before the board.
 Randall Kirby mentioned the Comic Con this weekend and the program at the library tonight. A young man is doing a program about comic drawing.
 There being nothing else before the board the meeting was adjourned at 5:20.

Next meeting will be April 11, 2024 . Budget meeting at 5 p.m and regular board meeting will be after the budget meeting.

Attest

Darlyne Johnson