

## Bemidji Public Library Board Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, June 11, 2019

Present: Lauree Bahr, Sheri Brumback, Nancy Erickson, Cyndi Fenske, Deb Graves, Heidi Johnson, Stephen Pfelger, Deb Rossman, Joyce Siegert, Terry Thomas

- I. Approval of May Meeting Minutes: Stephen motioned to accept the May meeting minutes. Lauree seconded. Motion passed.
- II. Manager's Report: Sheri Brumback
  - A. Financial Report—No financial report provided. Will catch up next month.
  - B. Usage Statistics—Circulation, number of total customers, and number of program attendees all increased from last month.
  - C. News—Stephanie Johnson has been hired to replace Marian Ridge as Director of Kitchigami Regional Library System. She previously worked for headquarters.
  - D. Upcoming Programs and Events—Lots of events for children and teens coming up with the Summer Reading Program kicking off on June 8. There are also literary events for adults such as the Monthly Book Club, Pints to Pages, and Bemidji Speaks.
- III. Old Business
  - A. Follow up with Nancy on Library Security Issues—More info to come on this. Nancy reported some figures from Per Mar that would include combinations of cameras and possible security surveillance. She also asked about the police reserve volunteers—they would be unable to provide for the library's needs as they are not day-to-day workers. Next month a Per Mar representative will come to the meeting for more details.
  - B. Young Adult/Teen Section Update—There will be an Xbox Kick-off Week (purchased with Board funds) including an opportunity for teens and tweens to play a game against a local police officer. June 18 is Gaming Day at the Library. This system is for in-library use only and will have other requirements for use.
  - C. Children's Section Update—No update provided on use of funds or change of space. The Summer Reading for kids is starting in June.
- IV. New Business
  - A. Library book sale in July—Joyce Siegert: Fliers are available to distribute. Joyce is making a volunteer list. Looking for volunteers to haul books on Saturday. Deb Grave's husband willing to help drive/haul books again. Still

looking for organizations to pick up at the end of the sale. Considering opening the sale up on Monday for next year. Looking for uniform bags for the last day of the sale (aka “Bag Day”). Stephen made a motion that Cyndi will try to get donation bags again, but if she cannot Joyce is able to order bags using Board funds up to \$1.00/bag. Lauree seconds. Motion passed.

- B. New Carnegie Library Story time program—More information to come on this in the future. Is it possible the Board partners with the Carnegie?
  
- V. Kitchigami Regional Library Report—Nancy Erickson: Stephanie Johnson was hired as the new KRLS director. Nancy is unable to attend the next KRL meeting.
  
- VI. Friends of the Bemidji Public Library—Terry Thomas: No new info provided at this time.

Meeting adjourned at 6:26.

Submitted by Cyndi L. Fenske, Secretary