



The Colfax Public Library Board

January 21, 2024

Claudia Kressin called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. in person.

Attendance

- Members present: Nancy Baumgartner, Jeanne Herrick, Eve Suckow, Claudia Kressin, Abbie Hartung, Gary Stene, and Library Director Lisa Bragg-Hurlburt
- Non-members present:

Quorum: A quorum has been established.

Open meeting law: We are in certification of compliance with the open meeting law.

Approval of Agenda

- Gary Stene made a motion to accept the agenda. Eve Suckow seconded the motion. Unanimously approved by the board.

Approval of Minutes

- Gary Stene made a motion to approve the minutes of December 2024. Eve Suckow seconded the motion. Unanimously approved by the Board.

Approval of Bills

- Jeanne Herrick made a motion to approve the bills for December 2024. Eve Suckow seconded the approval. Unanimously approved by the Board.

Current Business

- Gary Stene reported from the Village Board and County Board that funding for the library has not been decided yet. He did not have anything additional to report.
- Melissa Seehaver (School Representative) was not present, but sent Lisa a report from the school. She reported that the One School, One Read program began in January. The book that was given to all families was The Wizard of Oz. Activities are given to encourage reading.
- Nancy Baumgartner (Elevator Project Representative) reported that there was no Elevator Project Meeting since the Library Board last met. \$163,400. Sweet Adelines will be donating from their holiday concert fundraiser. Hopefully will be meeting with the properties committee in February to have them include the municipal building restoration in the long-range plan. Lisa is also continuing to look for additional grants. A donor will be matching elevator fund donations. Max to be established.
- During Lisa Bragg-Hurlburt's director's report, she reported that:

- Since the last board meeting, the library has had:
 - 106 children and 53 adults attend our programs
 - including 3 morning Story Times, 3 afternoon Story Times, and one evening Story Time
 - Other programs were drop-in christmas craft, book club, and lego club
 - The Colfax Woman's Club gave us a \$576 donation (earnings from their December Bake Sale)
 - A library patron has pledged to give matching funds for every library donation made between now and May 1st (up to \$2,200)
 - Pat Eggert is going to ask friends who attend her birthday party to give a donation for the library rather than give a gift (she did this last year, too)
 - Gary Stene and Lisa addressed a Dunn County committee about library funding. They reported that it went well and they are hopeful for additional funding.
- Additionally,
 - The library is working with Colfax Rescue to provide nebulizers to the community. They will be returned to Colfax Rescue to be sanitized between uses.
 - We established a partnership with Stepping Stones to keep our Little Free Pantry stocked.
 - Lisa has started purchasing books and movies for the East Asia Grant. She is doing most of the ordering through Dragon Tale Books in Menomonie.
 - Our Friday Director's Council meeting was mostly related to free speech and book banning.
 - Libraries will start getting data from IFLS next week on what 2024 circulation numbers are, so we can begin filling out our Annual Reports and take a peek at our funding situation for 2026.
- Lisa proposed the following policy changes regarding, which Gary Stene made a motion to accept and Eve Suckow seconded. Motion was unanimously approved:
 - Patron Conduct:
 - Making minor patrons aware that their legal guardians can request their borrowing history until they are age 16.
 - Add information regarding e-cards for "juvenile borrowers."
 - Internet Use:
 - We now have only 3 public computers.
 - The Personnel Policy
 - New language to reflect our updated our mission statement, and
 - Adding Language about our Facebook policy
- Changes to the library's collection development were discussed, but a vote was tabled until the next meeting.

Next Meeting: February 18, 2025 at 5:30 P.M.

Adjourn at 6:15 P.M.

- Gary Stene made a motion to adjourn. Eve Suckow seconded the motion. Unanimously approved by the Board.