ARTHUR PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MINUTES

August 17, 2020

Present: President Pate, Allen, Fritz, Singer, Yeakel, Yoder; Director Pruitt; Absent: Mammoser,

Meeting was called to order by President Pate at 6:33 p.m.

Board regretfully accepted the resignation of John Mammoser who has moved out of the state. Thank you John for your service!

Minutes were approved on a motion by Yoder, second by Singer.

Treasurer's report approved on a motion by Allen, second by Singeri.

Director's report - Kelsey Pruitt

- 1) Sue Clark has been hired for Saturdays and to sub when needed.
- 2) Blinds have been installed and look great.
- 3) Circulation desk project. Plans to contact some architectural firms to help with the design. Will check to find out the cost of this. Hoping to bring the circulation desk up-to-date to work with today's technology and also install some flexible furniture that works better for the staff's needs.
- 4) Covid response. Things have gone more smoothly the last month with fewer complaints. Still doing curbside pickup and about 60% order online. Patrons can make an appointment to browse and walk-ins are OK with a mask. Although the library can have up to 44 people at one time according to mandate, the staff is trying to keep it at 10 or under. Children under 14 have to be accompanied by an adult.
- 5) GED classes are starting and will be limited to 10 people per class.
- 6) Starting September 1 the library hours will be extended to 6 p.m. Monday-Thursday; still 5 p.m. on Friday and Saturday.
- 7) Returned items are held for 96 hours as mandated by the state.
- 8) Wild Prairie Landscapes is new lawn care service. They are taking over from previous landscaper.

Bills were approved on a motion by Singer, second by Yeakel.

Old business

Looked at the new picture that has been hung in the meeting room which was purchased with memorial money from Kent Stock. Decided that some changes needed to be made and that there was probably too much white space around the mat. Picture needs to be bigger.

New business

Discussed some recommendations to replace John on the board. Kelsey will talk to some people.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:01 p.m. on a motion by Yoder, second by Allen.

Respectfully submitted,

Martha K. Yeakel, Secretary