

ARTHUR PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

January 15, 2018

Present: President Pate; Trustees Allen, Fritz, Singer, Yeakel, Yoder; Director Cisna, Assistant Director Pruitt. Absent: Mammoser

Meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Minutes from the December meeting were approved on a motion by Allen, second by Fritz.

Treasurer's report: no report available because of the holiday.

Assistant Director's report

- 1) Planning to start a pre-k play program on the third Thursday of each month at 1 p.m.
- 2) Instituting a juvenile (under 14) library card reading incentive program. Policy now is if they owe \$5 or more they cannot check out books or movies. By keeping track of their reading they can earn credit toward reducing fines.

Director's report

- 1) Circulation report. Numbers continue to decline; not a large decrease but definitely happening. Usual issues: kids not reading as much, too much screen time, lack of importance placed on reading in homes, etc.
- 2) Discussed need for computers for front desk and a laptop for Alice (director).
- 3) Instituting an amnesty on fines. Patrons will be told they have 3 weeks to receive amnesty. Notice will be put in paper.
- 4) GFI is coming later in week to install printer. There will be an additional cost of \$500 for a motherboard. This extra cost was covered in the motion made to purchase printer.
- 5) Bills were approved on a motion by Singer, second by Yoder.

Committee report

No desk sample to show board yet.

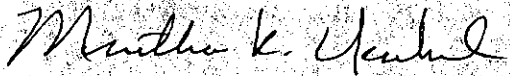
New business

As of now, Alice informed the board, she is planning to retire at the end of the fiscal year, June 30.

Tentative date for library board party is Saturday, March 10.

Meeting was adjourned at 7 p.m. on a motion by Yeakel, second by Yoder.

Respectfully submitted,



Martha K. Yeakel, Secretary