

Montmorency County Public Libraries
Library Board Meeting
March 13, 2023

Call to Order

President Robin Smiley called the meeting to order at 1:08 p.m. at the Hillman Branch of the Montmorency County Public Library.

Board Members Present (in alphabetical order): Mary Burek, Ellen Klein, Nancy Render, Robin Smiley, Diane Tokarski and Pat West.

Board Member Absent: None

County Commissioner: None

Staff Members Present: Lori Haas - Director

Visitors: None

Approval of Agenda

Mary Burek made the motion to approve the agenda as written, Diane Tokarski seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Approval of Bills

Pat West made the motion to accept the bills as presented, Robin Smiley seconded. All in favor, motion carried

Minutes of Meeting

Robin Smiley made the motion to accept the February minutes with following corrections: Dell Bolser's name should be under county commissioner not guest, Lori Haas and Diane Tolarski names misspelled, number of furnace bids should be 3 not 4, Diane Tokarski seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Public Comment

None

Old Business

There are no changes to the COVID Safety Plan now in place.

New Business

None

Financial Report

Per Lori Haas, the budget is continuing to look good.

Directors Report

None

Librarians Reports:

Wendy from Lewiston reports: Total Circulation 686, Curbside pick-ups 0, patrons signed in to choose their 204, inside computer lab users 156, phone calls 210, patrons needed copies/faxes/scans etc. 74, notarizations 5, new library cards 12, items cataloged and added to our collections 19, items laminated 0. Good Afternoon Ladies, February started off with a snow day for the school and I choose to make it a game day instead of a craft, we had one Family who lived close by come in for that. Our Valentine's Day craft went great!

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Cindy created our example and helped with craft for that Monday and she said she and the Ladies had a great time. Story hour was great also, Chelsey does a great job with the little ones, we had 11 kids. Jake was here again this month with his free computer help class provided by the FOLL. I do believe we had like 5 people come in to see him. I am also gearing up to get into the shed and getting out our yard toys and cleaning them up and thinking of a new way to display them for our Patrons. Other than that February was a quiet but steady month. I'm looking forward to the return of our snow birds.

Juli from Hillman reports: Total circulation 743, Curbside pick-ups 0, Patrons signed in to choose their own materials 666, Laptops checked out 2, Inside computer lab users 124, Phone calls 228, Patrons needed copies/faxes/scans 62, Notarizations 0, New library cards 11, Items cataloged and added to our collections 36, Laminating 1, WIFI 102, Puzzles 50 Hotspots 9. Good afternoon everyone! I hope you are all doing well. Things are going well over in Hillman. We have had two National Honor students that have been coming in and doing volunteer hours this month. They have been doing a great job, and have been very helpful. Story hour is going very well. We had 7 kids this month and they enjoyed Valentine's Cupcakes and made Valentine's bookmarks along with a heart picture frame. We had 13 ladies come for our Valentine's craft day. Everyone had a great time, and they are all looking forward to the next one. Thanks, and have a wonderful day! Stay safe!

Nicole from Atlanta reports: Total Circulation 689, Curbside Pick-up 0, Grab and go for materials 219, Laptops checked out 0, Inside computer lab users 76, Phone Calls 105, Patrons needing copies/faxes/etc. 78, Notarizations 4, New library cards 10, Items cataloged and added to our collection 32, Items laminated 0, Games, puzzles, story kits 5, Random people 143, Hotspots 12. As always we had a good month here at the library. We had an Adult Valentines Craft with 2 people attending. It's fun to be at work while they are here, they sure enjoy themselves. Story hour this month had three kids and home school had four kids. We are keeping busy trying to weck the fiction and juvenile sections also fix labels on older books. With help from Rogers City Librarian Kay, I was able to put in all six of our new laptops to check out. I then dispersed two per branch. The staff is going to try to encourage patrons to check out a hot spot and laptop at the same time. I hope everyone has a wonderful March. I'm defiantly looking forward to spring or maybe I'm just looking forward to not slipping on the ice anymore. Thank you.

Next Meeting Scheduled

The next meeting is scheduled for April 10, 2023 at the Lewiston Branch Hillman Branch at 1:00 p.m.

Adjournment.

Diane Tokarsk made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:27 p.m. Robin Smiley seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat West

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