Ackley Public Library

Board Meeting Minutes

August 3rd, 2020

The Ackley Library Board held a meeting on August 3rd, 2020. Present were Lisa Kielty, Teri Elmore, Doug Bohman, Earl Akers, Sue Abbas, Retha Starek, and Director Katie Lupkes. Absent: Jennifer Ibeling.

Meeting was called to order at 5:05pm.

The Agenda was approved. No June minutes had yet been submitted. Bills were approved and signed by Lisa and Teri.

Katie reported that Doug had installed a lock on the staff bathroom. She also reported that the virtual Summer Reading Program had gone very well and that 170 of the 180 grab bags had been picked up.

Public comments, people inquired about a reopening date but most seem to be content with the curbside service.

In ongoing business, the reopening of the Library was discussed. Katie presented a reopening policy which included cleaning procedures, rules upon entry, and time limits for patron, along with other CDC complying regulations. Changes being made to shorten the hours to accommodate for extra cleaning and a have start date of September 1st was set. Doug suggested that a log should be kept of every person who enters the library, including their name and telephone number. Earl made a motion to pass the policy with the above changes and Teri seconded.

For new business, Retha and Sue would like to purchase two new magazine racks and one new book shelf. These would replace the current magazine racks as they hold a larger number of magazines. The book shelf would expand the Christian Fiction section. The proposed cost was $2363.15 and would come from the trust fund; some of the money would come from Harriett and the rest from Eileen Kruse. Doug motioned, Earl seconded.

One of the scanning wands in the library is wearing out so the board agreed that we should look into the cost of a new one as well as pricing a cordless model.

Retha requested buying a plaque in memory of Harriett and it was agreed that the library should have one.

Other new business included the election of officers. Lisa was nominated by Earl to continue as President. Doug motioned and Teri seconded. Doug nominated Earl as Vice-president and Teri seconded. Jennifer was nominated as secretary pending her agreement.

The next board meeting was moved to Tuesday September 8th as the 7th is Labor Day.

Respectfully submitted,

Katie Lupkes en lieu of Jennifer Ibeling