

White Hall Township Library Board of Trustees Monthly Meeting

December 9, 2024

The monthly meeting of the White Hall Township Library Board of Trustees was held on Monday, December 9, 2024 with Mary Frances Tunison, Allie Cox, Pam Painter, Bill Edwards, Dawn Ballard, Matt Riegel-Pinkerton and Mary Jane Steelman present.

President Riegel -Pinkerton called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

The minutes were approved as read.

Treasurer's Report: Balance on 10/31/24 of \$59,406.95. Balance on hand 11/30/24, \$57,360.29. The report will be filed for audit.

Library Director's Report:

November circulation was 297. Loans were 352.

Story Hour has been held every Monday. Story Hour was held at the Flower Shop on December 9th. Sherry Hopkins read a book to the children. The average attendance has been 7.

Move n' Groove was not held the last two weeks due to Thanksgiving and Santa's visit. It will continue this Friday through the rest of the month.

November 22nd, Piggie and Elephant were at the library with 16 children and 11 adults in attendance. A story was read and activities followed.

Hometown Christmas was a success, with many families dropping in to make ornaments.

December Happening: Santa visit was December 6th with 20 children coming to see Santa. Jessica Morr is going to have an ornament making on December 12th, Movie Night for the older students with Julia and dipping chocolate, Little Feet painting on December 12th with babies.

Met with Illinois Heartland representative Kathy, she went through a presentation and explained where to find help when needed, resources online and some of the items the library needs to be in compliance.

The Library Director is going to ask the other libraries in our area if they are interested in booking Will Struck for a visit and share the cost. There is also a science program that could be booked this summer.

Looking into Ingram for ordering books since Baker and Taylor are slow in getting orders filled.

Old Business:

Plan to have the new shelving installed by the end of January.

Bill Edwards will be meeting with Garrett Electric about the upcoming electrical work to be done.

The Library Director reported that \$2000.00 was received from the Stanley Frech Charitable Trust.

Plan to apply for a Penguin Random House Grant that is due in February.

The Illinois Public Library Core Standards Chapters 1 and 2 were reviewed.

New Business:

Dawn Ballard made a motion to increase the hourly wage for all library staff by \$1.00 starting 1/1/25. A second was received and the motion passed.

Pam Painter made a motion to give the Library Director and Assistant Library Director a \$250.00 Christmas gift and the other two other library staff a \$100.00 Christmas gift. A second was received and the motion passed.

Allie Cox made a motion to give Pam Painter permission to move the CD that comes due in January from Peoples Bank and Trust to Farmers State Bank. A second was received. The motion passed.

Next meeting: January 13, 2025

There being no further business before the board the meeting was adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn Ballard, Secretary