Dominy Memorial Library Board of Directors' Meeting January 27, 2021

The meeting was called to order by President Jim Paternoster at 12:07 P.M. in the White Community Room of the library.

Members Present: Ruth Teubel, Jim Paternoster, Jim Munz, Mark Taylor, John Tollensdorf, Jan Lancaster, and library director Amanda Todd

Members Absent: Gary Hofmann & Marcia Walter

A motion was made by Jim Munz and seconded by Jan Lancaster to approve November's minutes. (The December meeting was cancelled due to no quorum.) The motion passed.

Extra donations have helped our financial status. Jan Lancaster moved, seconded by Mark Taylor, to approve our financial report. The motion was passed.

Director's Report:

- \circ Minimum wage will go up to \$11/hour on 1/1/21, and our monthly insurance premium will increase to \$476/month.
- o Rt. 24 installed new Thin Clients on all patron computers to hopefully resolve issues with the server.
- A new service called Wowbrary is available, which sends a weekly email to a patron's inbox, alerting them to new items in the collection.
- o Our circulation was about half of last year due to Covid, with 1,214 more ebook & audiobook checkouts.
- o The Illinet Interlibrary Loan Statistical Survey was submitted.
- o Amanda was on Fairbury Newsmakers Facebook show on January 21 to talk about the library.

Old Business:

- o Jim Paternoster will get in touch with Emberton's to look into fixing the HVAC control system, the entire library will receive carpet cleaning, and a motion was made by Mark Taylor, seconded by Jim Munz, to approve a quote from Avoca Ridge in the amount of \$1,505.25 for book shelves. The motion carried.
- A resolution letter will be sent to the mayor to appoint Kathy Popejoy as a new trustee to fill the remainder of Shirley Mitchell's term.
- After discussion, Jim Munz made a motion to try out the service Hoopla for 1 year, with a spending limit of \$2,000 and a later discussion to decide where it will come out of the budget. Mark Taylor seconded. Motion carried.
- Beginning February 1, the library will return to normal operations and hours. Masks will be required and a grab-and-go style is encouraged to limit people in the library. Community room reservations will be allowed up to 30 people.

New Business:

- o A thank you note for the board's memorial books in honor of Margie Hedrick was shared.
- The board reviewed and discussed the per capita grant application, noting which standards the library currently meets and which ones we need to work towards.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:02 PM after a motion by John Tollensdorf and a second by Mark Taylor. Motion passed.

Respectfully submitted, Amanda Todd