The Geraldine E. Anderson Village Library Board of Trustees met for their regular monthly meeting Monday, August 14, 2023 at 6:30 pm. Roll Call was taken by Sam Malm. Members present: Sam Malm, Cathy Frandsen, and Erin Larson. Also present: Leann French, Library Director. Members absent: Elina Kuusisto and Laura Rochford. Announcement of Quorum was made by Sam Malm and the meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm.

MSC [Malm, Larson] to approve the agenda of August 14, 2023.

MSC [Frandsen, Larson] to dispense with the reading of the July 10, 2023 minutes.

MSC [Larson, Malm] to approve the July 10, 2023 minutes.

Public Comment

none

Actions & Reports

Finance

MSC [Frandsen, Larson] to approve the Financial Report presented August 14, 2023.

MSC [Malm, Frandsen] to approve payment of the vouchers presented August 14, 2023.

Old Business

MSC [Frandsen, Malm] to pay all library staff their regularly scheduled hours September 2 and September 4, 2023, while the library is closed.

MSC [Malm, Larson] to approve the Public Health Emergency Personnel Policy as revised and amended.

New Business

Director's Report

Leann stated that the Early Riser Book Club meeting scheduled for August 2nd was cancelled. The Open Knitting group continues to meet every Tuesday. Littles Storytime continues to be held Mondays at 10:30 with variable attendance. Total circulation in July was 1,369, with 6 new patrons and 194 new items added to the collection. Summer reading programming was a success! The school age program averaged more attendees than last year, the Beanstack Challenge adults logged 43,387 minutes read and the youth logged 27,521 minutes. The team that worked at the summer reading programs met August 7th to discuss next year. They are planning the same format starting in early June and running to the end of July. The 2024 summer reading theme is Adventure Begins at Your Library. Leann attended the Dresser Village monthly meeting August 7th to present her letter with the listed potential projects that need to be done to improve the library building. The village okayed Leann to get estimates for the work to be done, and she is working with the Public Works department to find appropriate vendors. The Dresser Lions Club donated a Trex bench for the front of the library. 2024 preliminary budget work is starting. There may need to be a larger appropriation from the Village of Dresser for 2024 to keep up with wage increases and collection development. Colleen will begin work on new adult programming ideas.

President's Update

None

MSC [Larson, Frandsen] to adjourn the meeting at 7:17 pm. Announcement to adjourn: Sam Malm, President.

Respectfully Submitted, Cathy Frandsen Acting Secretary

The next regular meeting of the Geraldine E. Anderson Village Library Board of Trustees is scheduled for September 11, 2023, at 6:30 pm.