

Moorhead Public Library
Board Meeting
January 13, 2015

Present: Kristi Carlson, Mari Dailey, Lauri Winterfeldt, Megan Kueger, Chizuko Shasti, Meghann Mausolf Davidson, Geneva Nemzek, Joanne Molstre

Absent:

There were enough Board members present to have a quorum. Lauri Winterfeldt conducted the meeting.

Approval of the Agenda

The agenda was approved as written.

Approval of the November 18, 2014 Minutes

There were two corrections to the November minutes: Marie Dailey should be listed as Mari Dailey and Kristi Carlson attended the meeting but was not listed as being in attendance.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Introduction of Library Staff

Geneva Nemzek is a member of the reference team at the Moorhead library. She received a scholarship to attend a conference in Portland, Oregon which centered around the topic, Code for Libraries. Geneva plans to return to MN State to study web design.

LARL Report

No Board member attended the last LARL meeting; the next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 15th.

Director's Report (handout)

The Moorhead Public Library has reinstated Monday through Thursday hours which are from 9am – 9pm; Friday and Saturday hours continue to be from 10am – 6pm. The increase in weekday hours is due to the increased funding approved by the City Council at their December 8th meeting.

All LARL locations are participating in Food for Fines during the month of January. Patrons can bring in non-perishable food items as payment for late fees. One food item will waive one \$2 late fee.

All LARL locations will participate in Once Upon a Reader in 2015, which is a statewide one-book program designed for Pre-K children to promote early literacy skills. The focus of the program is to encourage young children and their parents or caregivers to read together.

LARL will participate in Hot Reads for Cold Nights during January through March. This is an adult reading program where customers turn in a paper or electronic entry form listing the titles of four books they plan to read; their names are then entered into a drawing for prizes.

Arts Pass is a three-week pass that enables patrons to check out a variety of organizations/activities in the community. Passes will be available on February, 2, 2015.

A grant was submitted to the Otto Bremer Foundation to remodel the meeting rooms and kitchenette in the lower level. If the grant is awarded, the Friends of the Moorhead Library will contribute the funds to purchase the technical equipment and appliances. Youthbuild will contribute to the project by painting the rooms and assisting with the assembly of furniture.

A new cleaning service for the Moorhead Library will begin in February; the exact start date has yet to be decided.

Policy/Product Review – Meeting Room Policy

Megan reviewed the meeting room policy; copies of the policy were distributed to Board members. There is no charge to those reserving the meeting rooms.

Other Business – Election of open Vice President position

Chizuko Shastri has agreed to serve as Board Vice President.

Submitted by,
Joanne Molstre

