

## **Secretary's Report 3/2/2021**

### **Breese Public Library**

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. by President Jean Steinman.

**Trustees present:** Mary Heeren (via Zoom), Bonnie Holzinger, Yvonne Ratermann, Cyndi Riley, Judy Kampwerth, Gwen Fischer, Jean Steinman, Jim Sprengel (via Zoom).

**Trustees absent:** Angie Becker

Also attending: Kelly Zurliene, Library Director

**Secretary's Report:** A quorum was established. Mary Heeren made a motion to accept the Secretary's Report; Judy Kampwerth seconded it and the Secretary's Report was accepted.

**Treasurer's Report:** Gwen Fischer made a motion to accept the Treasurer's Report and Yvonne Ratermann seconded it. A roll call vote was called and the motion was approved.

**Librarian's Report:** Kelly reported that interviews were conducted for the Youth Services Librarian. There were several very excellent candidates. One was chosen and is undergoing a background check. The new hire will start training April 1 and will be working two evenings a week and every other Saturday.

Kelly staged the seating area in the adult non-fiction/juniors section, so the board could visualize how this area would look with chairs and an ottoman. After the board looked at several different styles of chairs, Cindy Riley made a motion to purchase 4 chairs and an ottoman. Gwen Fischer seconded the motion. A roll call vote was called and the motion was approved.

There were questions and a discussion on purchasing the America's News subscription for the Belleville News Democrat and the St. Louis Post Dispatch. It would allow library card holders to read on their electronics by using their library card barcode number. It could be used as a search tool as well. It would cost the library \$755 for the first 15 months and has an unlimited amount of logins. Kelly will put out a Facebook post to see how many patrons would take advantage of this service.

Kelly also remarked on how many wonderful comments she received on the Centralia Sentinel article on the library.

### **Committee Reports:**

**Building:** There was much discussion on the state of the parking lot since the snow removal. Also, a question on the feasibility of a handicap accessible parking space on the east side of the building since they could use the sidewalk on the side of the building. A need for more lighting in the parking lot was discussed as well.

**Finance:** No Report    **Books:** No Report

**Unfinished Business:** The circulation desk computer was purchased and was set up by Jim Astroth.

A discussion was held on whether to replace the outdoor trash can. The board agreed they would like to have it replaced. Kelly had examples of several trash receptacles, but will price more before the next meeting.

**New Business:** In 2022, the Breese Library will be celebrating its 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Kelly asked everyone to start thinking of ideas to celebrate this milestone.

Bonnie Holzinger made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m. and it was seconded by Cyndi Riley. Meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, April 6, 2021 at 8:00 p.m.

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Jean Steinman, President

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Yvonne Ratermann, Secretary