**Custer County Library Board**

**Minutes**

**September 21, 2022 Custer County Library**

*The Custer County Library Board of Trustees met at 1:00 p.m. on Wednesday, September 21st at the Custer County Library. Persons in attendance were Library Director Jessie Phelps, Assistant Library Director Sarah Myers, Trustees Renée Starr, Dave Sutton, Katie Wiederholt, and Marcy Swanda. Marcy chaired the meeting and called it to order at 12:55 p.m.*

**AGENDA CHANGES/CORRECTIONS**

**MINUTES**

* **August 17th Minutes***: Renée made a motion to approve the minutes. Dave seconded the motion. The motion carried*

**TREASURER REPORT**:

* **GENERAL CHECKING: $13,417.01 as of September 19, 2022**
* **COUNTY SPREAD SHEET: Balance: $89,810.48 Expended: 67.13%**

**LIBRARIAN REPORT:** *Trustees received a copy of the Librarian Report discussing the topics below via email prior to the meeting. The Librarian Report is attached to and is part of this month’s Minutes.*

* **Summer Reading**
* **Hermosa Update**
* **September programs**

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS***:*

* **Scholarships for Library Staff –***The Board requested additional information from the South Dakota Board of Regents regarding tuition reciprocity at schools accredited by the American Library Association.*

**NEW BUSINESS***:*

* Historic Newspaper Holdings potential Acquisitions from 1881 Courthouse Museum – *Rose Kor contacted the Library to inquire about the Library acquiring some of their historic holdings of newspapers. The Board does not believe the Library has the space for the documents. Dave made the motion to reject the offer, Renée seconded. Motion carried.*
* Hermosa Storytime – *The Board discussed the need to offer at least a monthly story time at Hermosa. Members suggested offering $.51 mile for gas for three months if needed for a volunteer. The Board will review attendance numbers to make a determination as to whether to continue. Motion made by Renée, seconded by Dave, the motion carried. The Library is currently looking for a volunteer.*
* 2024 Budget Request (additional paid staff in Hermosa and Custer): *Jessie discussed the need for additional staff at both Hermosa and Custer to ensure the best service possible for Library users. Due to timing, a request for a position would need to come for 2024. Katie suggested that the Library look in to making the position full-time and splitting job duties between Hermosa and Custer. The Board prefers adding one full-time position, if possible. Motion by Katie to move forward with this proposal for Budget Year 2024, second by Renée. Motion carried.*

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

* SDLA Conference on September 28th – 30th in Brookings – *Thea will be attending conference for the Library, where Doris Ann will be receiving the Librarian of the Year award.*
* *Marcy discussed moving the November Board meeting to the 9th at 1:00 pm due to scheduling issues. No one raised objections.*

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING:** *October 19th at 1 p.m.*

**ADJOURNMENT:** *Dave made the motion to adjurn and Renée seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 2:12 p.m.*



Jessica Phelps

Secretary/Treasurer

**Librarian Report – September 2022**

**Summer Reading:** The Library had 213 patrons register for Summer Reading with READSquared. They read a total of 76,174 minutes and our teens and adults read 256 books. We had 353 in-person attendees from the Early Literacy and K-11 age group, 76 Teens, and 17 adults participating in our programs. The library is discussing ways to reach more families by streamlining the Summer Reading process to include a paper option for a simpler way to participate. The library is also discussing a program for toddlers that is by book rather than by minutes read. More details will be forthcoming.

**Hermosa Library Update:** Jessie and Bert walked through the Hermosa School with Superintendent Naugle, School Board Member Travis Hartshorn, Commissioner Hindle, and Chairman Lintz to explore possible space should the Hermosa Library need to move. There is adequate space at the Hermosa School, however, work would need to start soon if the goal is to move the library before January 2023.

**September Programs:** The Library offered a Seed Harvesting class on the 20th, 14 adults attended. Story Time started back up on September 16th, Movie Night is on the 23rd, and Book Chat is on the 29th.