

## Minutes for May 2023

The Hand County Library Board of Trustees met on May 22, 2023 at 4:00 PM in the Historical Room of the Hand County Library.

Members present: Chairman Andrea Fiala, Trustees Mike Donlin, Gloria Keck, Marianne Peterka and Library Director Hannah Caffee. Member absent: Mike Anglin.

The library will be closed June 19th in observance of Juneteenth.

Hannah Caffee reported great turnout for National Library Week April 24th-28th. A chess tournament was held May 4th with 17 participants. Hunter Cain was the champion. Thanks to Andrea Fiala for her help with 3D-printed trophies for each participant. Chess club is paused for the summer and will resume in September. Bridge Club is also paused for the summer with plans to resume in the fall.

The summer reading program is beginning May 26th. We will kick-off with a community block party. Kessler's is donating a portion of the food, McWhorter Museum will host a photo booth, and Central Plains Arts Council will have a face painting station. A folk duo from Vermont, Hungrytown, will play music at 7pm. The Central Plains Arts Council split the cost for the music with us. Throughout the summer we will have story time activities every Thursday at 11am, and the kids will be conducting a crayon drive where their old crayons get recycled. Our grant finale will be Brent Allen, comedy puppeteer, on July 26th at 10am. Hannah is also planning on Robotics classes for 5-6 weeks starting mid-June.

Author visits have been planned, and at the time of the meeting one is confirmed. Axton Betz-Hamilton is presenting "Victim Voices: Stories of Familial Identity Theft Victims" through a grant provided by the South Dakota Humanities Council. The event is likely to be June 21st at 5pm. Diane Wilson has confirmed her summer tour, and she will be discussing her book *The Seed Keeper*, which is the One Book South Dakota selected by the South Dakota Humanities Council. The library has received ten copies of the book to use for promotions and encourage participation. Diane will be at Hand County Library July 26th at 6pm.

Hand County Library was awarded the Stephanie Miller Davis Grant to use for our summer reading program. Supplies are beginning to arrive, and decorations are ready to go.

Hannah Caffee reported that the Hand County Auditor, Doug DeBoer, gave incorrect information at the last commissioner's meeting. The information was with regards to library revenue, and it impacted how the commissioner's received the library's request to fund upcoming building projects: new carpet and wall insulation. The board discussed the library budget, gifts, and uses, and Hannah Caffee will attend the next commissioner's meeting to provide correct information.

Hand County Library has been awarded the Community Connect Grant through ALA (American Library Association) and Capital One. This grant provides material and financial support for

lending laptops and hotspot internet to patrons. Twenty rural libraries across eleven states were selected to participate in the grant program.

The board discussed upcoming performance reviews for staff. Andrea Fiala spoke about how this process has been run in the past. Hannah will have the performance review paperwork ready for the board at the July meeting.

During the meeting, Hand County Library League board members presented a check from their fundraisers and membership drive. The Hand County Library board and director were pleased to have received these funds to help support programs and purchases for the library.

Gloria Keck motioned to approve the April minutes; Mike Donlin seconded.


Marianne Peterka motioned to approve the April Financial Report and bills; Mike Donline seconded.

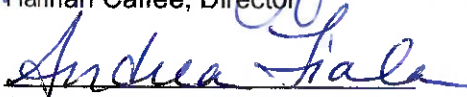
The next meeting is set for Monday, June 26th at 4:00 pm.

Meeting adjourned.

A & B Solutions	#{425) service contract	\$67.17
Bob's Disposal	#{428) garbage	\$21.00
City of Miller	#{428) utilities	\$292.71
Ingram	#{426) supplies	\$319.51
Jim and Jake's Sprinklers	#{425) repair and maintenance	\$170.13
Overdrive	#{426) supplies	\$243.56
Venture Communications	#{428) email address/phone	\$220.52

Salary and Benefits	#{411, 412, 413, 414, 415)	\$4831.65
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Hannah Caffee, Director

  
Andrea Fiala, Library Board Chairman