

Minutes for August 2024

The Hand County Library Board of Trustees met on August 26, 2024 at 4:00 PM in the Historical Room of the Hand County Library.

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

Hand County Library will be closed on September 2nd for Labor Day and during the homecoming parade on September 20th. The library will also be closing on October 14th for Native American Day.

The SDLA Conference will be held September 25-27 in Aberdeen, SD. The banquet will be held September 26th at 6pm. The board approved for ticket and travel reimbursement for staff attending.

The updates to the Library Policies and Objectives is still under review. The county lawyer is looking over the updates for compliance with HB 1197, and Hannah will attend workshop sessions regarding this new law at the SDLA Conference on September 26th.

Hannah gave a full report of recent and upcoming programs at Hand County Library

- Story Walk at Party in Park August 25th: 20 participants enjoyed "Hurry Up!" by Kate Dopirak.
- Winter Book Club met August 22nd with 8 in attendance. Reading *Little and Often* by Trent Preszler for the next meeting (September 24th at 5:30pm). This discussion is open to the public as it is the One Book South Dakota selected by the South Dakota Humanities Council.
- SD State Fair Youth Admission Tickets are available for library cardholders to pick up.
- Writing Workshops will occur bi-weekly during the months of September and October. Erica Hargens will be leading the writing group ahead of NaNoWriMo (National November Writing Month) where participants are encouraged to write 50,000 words during the month. Workshop dates: September 12th, September 26th, October 10th, October 24th
- September 10th we will host the virtual SD History Talks. Eliza Blue is presenting about her new book.
- A Smokey Bear Birthday Challenge has been created for our library. The board discussed and agreed October would be the best month for this challenge. Gummy bears for prizes would be appropriate.
- The Miller C&C has two dates for upcoming events in town. The library will participate in both
 - Sip & Shop October 17th
 - Christmas On the Prairie: Cowboy Christmas December 5th

Give Back Day will be September 7th. Hannah is unsure if she will be either hosting volunteers at the library or helping as a volunteer. She may see if other staff or board members could host the library volunteers.

The Community Connect Grant Final Report is due September 2nd. Hannah provided a draft to the library board. She is waiting to hear back from the grant officers about a possible extension on hotspot service.

Gloria Keck made the motion to approve the June meeting minutes and expenses. Mike Donlin seconded.


Marianne Peterka made the motion to approve the Financial Report and bills. Mike Donlin seconded.

The next board meeting will be Monday, September 23rd at 4:00pm

Meeting adjourned.

A & B Solutions	#(425) service contract	\$73.89
Bob's Disposal	#(428) garbage	\$21.00
Bob's Gas	#(425) maintenance	\$647.58
Booksystems Inc.	#(422) software	\$1885.00
City of Miller	#(428) utilities	\$762.95
Ingram	#(426) supplies	\$828.15
Overdrive	#(426) supplies	\$382.09
Venture Communications	#(428) email address/phone	\$204.48

Salary and Benefits	#(411, 412, 413, 414, 415)	\$5479.09
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Hannah Caffee, Director


Andrea Fiala, Library Board Chairman