



BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES September 20, 2023

A regular meeting of the East Adams Library District (Ritzville Library District #2) Trustees was called to order by President Christina Heater October 18, 2023 at 5:36 p.m. Members in attendance were: Christina Heater, Amy Wellsandt, Debbie Knodel, Interim Director Millie Hopkins, and Morgane Plager Roth. Guests were Heather Carruth, Scott Carruth, Kaiden Bell, Kyrsten Beck-Gmeiner, Heidi Harting, Nathan Hopkins, Karen Cady, Jessica Reeder, and Aaron Reeder.

Morgane read the Minutes from September. Amy moved and Debbie seconded to accept the September Minutes, motion passed by voice vote.

Morgane moved to accept the Consent Agenda of \$12,021.80 in Payroll, \$4,761.78 in Operations, with Vouchers totaling \$29,845.69 in Operations for a total of \$46,629.27. Debbie seconded. Motion passed by voice vote.

During the Public Comment, community member Aaron Reeder spoke about his concerns about the book titled, "You're a Drag Queen If You Know It". Jessica Reeder also spoke about her concerns about the same title. Heather Carruth spoke about her beliefs in the importance of not banning books.

Millie gave the Director's Report and introduced the new part-time library page Kyrsten Beck-Gmeiner. She also reported that the bank has paperwork to sign. The library has received one Request for Reconsideration of Library Materials form for the title "You're a Drag Queen If You Know It," Millie will follow the process as stated in library procedures. The county auditor has stated that they will begin charging for services. She is still working with the bank to resolve the switch over. Tiffany Fulton of Washtucna will be able to volunteer next year for the mobile services in Washtucna. She has reached out to Thomas about the Benge book kiosk. The budget has a line item for a courier for the Library's mobile services. Discussion occurred on Christmas at the Carnegie with the Friends hosting a book sale and surplus sale. Heidi is in charge of plans. Discussion occurred on toddler trick-or-treating. Consensus from the Board is that the Library should not carry a credit card.

Morgane reported on the Friends and that their annual meeting will be October 30th.

The Board tabled adding Kelly Kiesz as the new board member as she was unable to make the meeting due to sports activities; they will take up that topic in November.

Millie confirmed that the Reeder's had the Request for Reconsideration of Library Materials Form and a copy of the Library's Collection Development Policy.

Christina adjourned the meeting at 6:16 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Morgane Plager Roth
November 9, 2023