**Meagher County City Library**

**LIBRARY BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

**February 13th, 2024**

**5:30 p.m., Library**

**Attendance:** Shannon W., Rachel, Bobbie, Shannon G., Glenda, Paul (via phone), Dayle (FOL-via phone)

**Public Comment**

* Fern Vinton – request/presentation for community room usage
  + Creative Experiences Learning Center would like to use the library community room for fine arts classes. They feel that our community lacks fine arts opportunities. They are asking the board to make an exception to the policy that allows only free classes to be offered in the community room. Rachel pointed out that they could offer the classes as free to the public to observe, but have a fee to participate would be within the policy.

Glenda called the meeting to order.

**Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**

* January 9th, 2024 Board Minutes

Shannon G. made a motion to approve the minutes. Bobbie seconded. Motion passed.

**Paying of Bills and Financial Reports**

* Bills

Shannon G. made a motion to pay the bills. Bobbie seconded. Motion passed.

**Director’s Report**

* Library rearranging completed – tour?
* Take Your Child to the Library Day – February 3rd
* Federation Meeting March 14-15 – Shannon & Bobbie to attend
* MLA Conference April 17-20 – Rachel & Shannon to attend
* Imagination Library – 75 active children
* Changed 2nd courier stop to Friday
* Quarterly Staff Meetings – most recent 1/31
* DLK Grant ordering is happening (~$2500 spent)
* Children’s Programming continues as normal (Storytime, Preschool, Colony)
* Summer Reading Plans are underway – orders have been placed for CSLP & prizes (Town Pump Grant)
  + Dates will are tentatively set for Wednesdays June 12-July 31(possibly 24th)

**Friends of the Library Report**

* Meeting held January 10th
* Supplied trophies and medals for Battle of the Books from Keep Kids Reading Grant money
* 2 books per month donation will continue. Some members might write their own reviews of donated books to include in the newspaper.
* Adult Programming is being considered with a local author.
* They are also working with Humanities Montana for a potential spring program.
* FOL will be holding their annual Poetry Contest again this year.
* Jen Frazer is going to reschedule the Wildflower presentation that was canceled last year.
* Mary will be giving some information about a possible Trivia activity.

**Unfinished Business and Updates**

* Rachel explained the Supply Budget line change. The linen supplies have been moved to that category by the county.

**New Business**

* Continuing Education for Trustees guidelines & make plan – The board discussed the options. Shannon G. made a motion to do a 3 hour training together in one meeting. Bobbie seconded the motion. Motion passed.
* New Board Member discussion. Carol Cartlidge emailed on 2/12 to resign from the board. We will start the process of advertising.
* The board has agreed to allow the Creative Learning Expression Center to use the community room for their classes.

1. The group still cannot charge a fee to attend a class, but that they can accept voluntary donations.
2. The group can charge a fee for the materials used in a class.
3. The Library is not going to take a percentage of donations received from the classes offered.

So there are three types of possible class attendees: observers (people who don't pay for materials); people who don't make a donation but pay for materials; and, people who make a donation AND pay for materials.

**Date of Next Meeting**

March 12th at 5:30 p.m.

Bobbie made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Shannon G. seconded. Motion passed.