Swisher Community Library

Board of Directors meeting

April 6, 2022

The Swisher Community Library Board of Directors met on April 6, 2022, at 6:05 p.m.

Board Members present were Tera Kringle, Monica Cox, Cathie Rowe, Cindy Shelangoski, Ben Winborn and Library Director Laura Hoover.

Becky Heil, Southeast District Consultant, with the State Library of Iowa was present.

Len Riker was present to record the meeting minutes.

Minutes:

Minutes from the March 2022 meeting were reviewed, and a motion was made to approve them. MSC Winborn / Shelangoski, all ayes. Motion passed.

Citizen’s Comments:

No citizen’s comments.

Director’s Report:

Financial Report:

Currently at 61% of annual budgeted spending through June and on target to meet annual budget.

Bills to Pay:

It was motioned to pay the current bills. MSC Rowe / Cox, all ayes. Motion passed.

Monthly stats:

Door count is up about 10% from last year.

Kanopy usage is increasing significantly.

Reports and Announcements:

Off the Beaten Path is the topic for the summer reading program.

The Director has arranged for a pool party at the North Liberty Community Center as the grand prize for the summer reading program.

The seed library is now in service. A seed starting class will be held April 7th and a container gardening class will be held May 12th. Other classes are being planned.

The Easter egg hunt will be Saturday April 16th. Breakfast with the Bunny starts at 9:30 and the Easter Egg Hunt starts at 10:00. Key Club students will help fill the eggs on April 14th and help put the eggs out on Saturday morning.

The Director took a class on book mending and will attend an advanced class in a couple of weeks.

The Director spoke with Southslope about getting a right of first refusal to purchase the library building and the lot next to the library building. Southslope verbally agreed to grant the right of first refusal and will have their attorney draw up an agreement. Southslope also indicated they might be willing to sell the lot to the City of Swisher now, so the Director asked them to provide a proposal for the City.

Long Range Plan:

Becky Heil led the Board and Director through a working session on updating the Library’s long range.

Other business:

No other business.

Next meeting will be Wednesday May 4, 2022, at 6 PM

Motion to adjourn at 7:55 p.m. MSC Shelangoski / Rowe, all ayes. Motion passed.