

Ione Library District Board Meeting  
March 20, 2023  
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The meeting was called to order at 6:00 by Vice Chair, Betty Rietmann

Roll was called. Board members present: Bobbi Childers (C) (arrived late), Deb Campbell, Betty Rietmann (VC) and Anne Morter (T). Librarian Rachell Hughes also attended.

The minutes from the February 20, 2023 meeting were approved as presented.

**Financial Report:**

The checking balance as of 2/28/23 is \$12,516.19 and 3/16/23 is \$9,183.56, the County Investment Fund (CIF) \$85,340.46 and the reserve fund balance is \$183,253.75. Transferring additional funds to the reserve fund was discussed. It was decided that the transfer would be discussed at a later date.

**Librarians Report:**

- The Board agreed to let Becky borrow the white board this summer for an event
- The meeting is live on Zoom.

**Old Business:**

- Build-A-Bear will be Friday, April 7. There will be 3, 1 ½ hr sessions held. A poster has been created and will be posted around town and on Facebook, our website and Arlynda Mail.
- Wambeke Window Washing (John) has cleaned the window, but we haven't received an invoice yet.
- The Museum of Natural and Cultural History has been booked for the SRP. It will be on Wednesday July 19 instead of our regular Tuesday meeting date. The American Legion has been notified and has booked our 6 meeting dates.
- The employee evaluation has been rescheduled for the April meeting. Copies of Becky's self-evaluation were given to the Board Members to review before that meeting date. Becky has suggested that the evaluation be conducted during the regular meeting and not in an executive session. The Board has agreed to that. Becky will conduct an evaluation of Rachell at a later date.
- There will be no book exchange in May. The Board would like to have our excess materials be offered on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July with donations requested. Any books remaining after the 4<sup>th</sup> will be donated to the Neighborhood Center or the Agape house or an Animal Rescue thrift store.

**New Business:**

- A Budget Calendar was presented to the Board. It is essential the same as 2022 with the dates being corrected to reflect 2023. Margo moved that we accept the calendar with Bobbi offering a second. The motion passed. The Budget Committee Meeting will be on April 17 and the Hearing will be on June 19. Suggestions were presented for the budget committee. They are the same as 2022. The board accepted the suggestions and

Becky will contact them and ask if they will serve. If any decline to serve, Becky will contact prior members.

- The librarians report that the audio books are not being checked out often and they will be discarding those that aren't being circulated. The Board suggested that we contact Assisted Living Centers in the surrounding area and offer donate books and CD players to them.
- The policy on Internet and Computer Use was reviewed and no changes were suggested.

**For the Good of the Order:**

Streamline will be increasing their monthly fee from \$50 to \$63. It was felt that, even with the price increase, the services and expertise they provide is affordable and necessary.

Anne would like the librarians to contact the State Library about adding a link to Gale Resources to our website. Becky will contact Arlene Weible to get that link information.

The Budget Committee Hearing will be held at 5:00, just before the regular meeting.

The next meeting will be on April 17, 2023, at 6:00.

The meeting adjourned at 6:45.

Respectfully Submitted,

Becky Doherty  
Librarian