

Valley City Barnes County Public Library Board Minutes

Date: January 12, 2016

Approved: February 9th, 2016

Members present: Botz, Dahlberg, Chandler, Metcalf, Luke

Members absent: Remick

Library Staff present: Hammel; Staff Absent: Jorissen

I. Call to Order by President Botz at 5:18 pm.

II. Additions to agenda: None

III. Minutes:

December 22, 2015; Chandler moved and Metcalf seconded approval; motion approved by roll call vote.

IV. Financial Report:

1. Not Available.

V. Director's Report:

1. Search for adult services coordinator is underway. Position is advertised on ND Jobs and closes January 31. The Director will have interviews in early February and hopes to have someone in place soon thereafter.
2. Terry Jones, the janitor quit because of too many commitments. The Director is working on getting someone hired.
3. New furnaces are in and running, although the contractor has a few things to finish up.
4. Library Statistics: Overall number of visits in 2015 up over 1000 from 2014; use of Overdrive doubled; circulation for both adults and children increased by over 5000 items; added 524 new patrons; all program attendance (adult, YA, children) is also up.

VI. Old Business:

1. Alarm system—Director plans to do further research as the library needs to upgrade this system.
2. Library Foundation—We have two options (Sheynne Valley Foundations or independent). Director will pull together the planning information developed a year ago for review at the next meeting.

VII. New Business:

1. Melissa Lloyd (youth services coordinator) presented the Summer Reading program plans. The theme is “on your mark, get set, go.” Melissa has had

difficulty getting non-food prizes for summer reading and requested assistance. She offered ideas for a number of suggested prizes, including sports equipment, zoo/rec center memberships. Luke recommended that Melissa contact the VCBS Friends group for assistance in contacting merchants.

2. The board discussed the impact of Job service closure in Valley City, and the ways in which the library may become involved in providing services. The library will do what is necessary to support people seeking computer access to the Job Service website and track numbers to determine actual impact.

VIII. Adjournment at 6:32 pm

Next meeting on Tuesday February 9, 2015 at 5:15pm