

Indian River Area Library
Board Minutes
May 18, 2021

Meeting called to order at 3:30.

Present: David Hill, Kathy Cole, Jim Anglewicz, Patty Hull, Jill Sager, Elise Harrington, and Helen Miller.

Guest: Karen Hill

Cole motioned to approve the April Minutes, Anglewicz seconded, and all Aye.

Anglewicz motioned to approve the Financial report, Hull seconded, and all Aye.

Public Comment: None

Friends of the Library Report: Karen Hill reported that the Friends approved paying for the Creative Bug program for the library. The Friends will help with the donated books after the staff has gone through them. It was decided to not take donated VHS, textbooks, or smelly books. The Friends will check with other libraries to get ideas for items for the Library of Things and their policies for those items. The Friends offered to purchase those items with the direction from the Director and board.

Manager Report: Miller reported that the bread class was a success. Future events- May-Dr. Florek. June-Beekeeper class and Tails and Tales Summer Reading Program. July-Marvel Comic Art Animals and Nature Hike.

The board motioned to accept the Digital Historic Files promotion. The library will provide the thumb drive for materials for the library and the patron must provide their own thumb drive for their services. Suggestions for future projects were: sign (red, yellow, green) for the Makers Space, sinks and electrical plugs for the basement, and a quarterly newsletter for the library.

Old Business: A. Millage follow-up- The millage passed! Therefore the first priority is to hire a director and expand the library hours. Interviews will be held in the coming month with expanded hours to tentatively begin August 1st.

Koehler update- The contract ends June 30 th for 2021. Hill will attend the Koehler June meeting to suggest a new contract(drawn by our attorney) and introduce the two tier service. It was suggested that we offer similar contracts to surrounding townships.Cole motioned that all townships that contract(100% penal fines)with IRAL would receive basic(tier 1) service and premium service(tier 2)would cost 45\$. Hull seconded the motion and all AYE.

Tier #1 service is borrowing from the physical library with a limit of 10 items.

Tier#2 service includes tier #1 with a limit of 25 items, MeL, E service, Creative Bug, Hoopla, free use of the meeting room, and use of the makerspace.

Library lights- Hill and Anglewicz will further explore the lighting possibilities and get additional bids.

Director search- A committee was formed for the interviewing and hiring of the new Director-Cole, Anglewicz, Hull, Hill, and Sager. The first meeting is May 24 at 10:00.

New Business: A. Hoopla- Anglewicz motioned that we begin Hoopla services (with a limit of 8 items per month) July 1st, Hull seconded, and all Aye.

B. 2-Tiered Service

C.- Makerspace Use- Tech Time will be started in July, with a staff member to instruct a one hour class, once a month. The instruction will be in the usage of an I- pad or cell phone, e-mail, Libby, MeL, Creative Bug, Hoopla, and other areas.

D. Budget Update- Meeting June 8th to discuss the budget and approve. Annual meeting is June 15 at 7pm.

Public Comment: None

Hull motioned to adjourn at 7:05, Cole seconded, and all AYE.