

Board Meeting – May 24, 2011

Attending: Karen Elder, Tom Colbert, Allan Thoreson, Glenn Ytzen, Barbara Burt, Maureen Lyons, Sue Fink, Glenda Davis-Driggs, Sandy Gowdy, Joa LaVille, 1 government student

President called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Minutes of April 26, 2011 approved with correction on #8 (at a future meeting) changed to “next meeting”.

Operating bills approved: Tom made a motion to approve bills and Karen seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Agenda Items:

1. Marshall County Funding did not increase. Our portion went up because of circulation to county residents.
2. Security monitoring policy: Glenda explained that this policy would show when this could be used. Maureen moved to approve this policy. Barb seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.
3. Prairie: Glenn suggested we look at it again in the fall. A volunteer is weeding the dandelions from the prairie.
4. Trustee training: Glenda pointed out some of the sections in the handbook. She will point out what chapters the board will focus on each month.
5. Dia de los ninos: Joa reported on this celebration. 500 people attended this year. The celebration was originally started by an author. Our library has been celebrating this for about 11 years. Each child receives a free book. About 40 volunteers – youth and adult – helped with it. Joa showed how to see the pictures on the library website.
6. Wilbor Grant: The library received this grant for \$500.00 which came from Central Iowa Library Service Area. A requirement for receiving the grant was that the library had to match the same amount of money from its general fund. It will allow us to purchase e-book titles which can be requested by our patrons and will be for our patrons only. E-book usage as gone up and has surpassed audio books.
7. External Security System: Glenda received 2 bids – one for \$10,000.00 and one for \$2800.00. She will get some more information from a security professional. She is also expecting a third bid.
8. A walk through of the library was suggested
9. Flagpole: there is a delay due to the manufacturer
10. A book fair was suggested
11. Library is sponsoring a trip to Iowa City in August.

Meeting was concluded by Board President at 5:25 p.m.