

December Genoa City Public Library Board Meeting Minutes

December 11, 2023 6 pm

Present: Lois, Jaime, Dave, Tom, and Rachel

1. Call to order by Jaime at 6:03
2. Public Comments none
3. Approval of November meeting minutes motion made by Dave, Tom, 4-0
4. Approval of November bills: motion made by Dave, Lois, 4-0
5. Treasure's Report – missing
6. Library News:
 - A. Budget: went through, around 135 approved, notify public, Prairie Lakes contributes some money as well
 1. Staffing: Bre is doing well.
 - B. Changes for 2024
 1. Book Repair: looking to purchase COver 1 from Demco for around \$2000, DVD buffer not needed as much so may be looking to get rid of it
 2. Playaways–stories on MP3 player, an all in one, just need headphones, looking to purchase several to see usage
 3. Vinyl Records: stay in house, lower number of cd checkouts
 4. Literacy for children: applied for an ALA grant for \$10,000, to purchase more Wonderbooks, LeapFrog pads, AWE learning stations, Chromebooks, and parent resources for homeschooling
 5. Programming
 - a. Gardening and Seed catalog–see if gets more usage, salsa raised bed purchased through a grant, Friends of the Library helping, Eileen is a Master Gardener will be heading
 - b. State Park Passes–library joins and receives passes for parks, camping, and hiking
 - c. Plan to continue Lego Club, Book Club, Hooks and Needles (about 10 people or so), Audubon and Museum passes, Hat and Mitten tree (people are taking, donations going well)
 - d. NEW: Read with a Dog–Otto volunteered. Thanks Dave! –apply for a grant
 - e. Puzzle checkout increasing, board games to check out
7. New Business
 - A. New Library Plan–continue to look at what we need, discuss with Friends, problems may include becoming a 501C3, \$600 annual fee, formal meetings
 - B. Develop Library Board Bylaws: governing rules, attendance, appointments and terms of office, etc.
8. Adjournment–Motion to adjourn: Tom/Lois,4-0, 6:55 pm

The next Library Board Meeting will be held Monday, January 8, 2024, at 6 pm.

This meeting will be held at the Genoa City Public Library and Zoom invite.