

New Boston Library Board Minutes
New Boston, IL 62360
February 28, 2023

Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Jo.

Member's present were: Jo Street, Vince Hunt, Vivian Bowler, Judy Buche, Terrie Samsel, Diane Borchardt, and Vicki, the Librarian. Absent was Jennifer Hamilton.

Librarian Report:

Vicki distributed the Jan 2023 Librarian report to board members and the report was reviewed.

Vicki recapped the activities that took place in January. We circulated over 1,000 items and added 13 new patrons. January was Amnesty month and we offered patrons to bring in food donations instead of paying the fines, but only two families took advantage of it.

February we had "Wild Date With a Book". Books were covered with brown paper and hints about the book on the outside. Went over well and we had to cover more books.

Thursday, March 2, is Dr. Seuss's birthday and the library will have a Story Time party to celebrate. Library employees will dress up, bags for the kids, treats, book reading, and should last about an hour starting at 6:30.

Saturday, April 29 is the Village yard sale. Our library will participate in the yard sale. Vicki would also like to have a book sale and asked everybody to bring in one or two items to offer shoppers for donations.

The topic for this year's summer reading program is "Find Your Voice". It's a hard topic but Vicki has ideas.

There will not be a preschool Story Time this summer. However, preschoolers can come in and pick up a craft kit and a book to take home twice a month.

There are now young adult book displays in the library. The new board book carts are assembled, and books are in them. Just need to be labeled.

There was discussion about the graphics on the lighted signs on the front of the library. The company went out of business and somebody else took it over. Vince tried to see if we could get better graphics, but they wanted to sell us a new product. Vicki will play with it and see if she can figure something else out.

Staff evaluations were done last week.

Secretary's Report:

January minutes were reviewed. Vivian motioned for January minutes to be approved. Vince second. Minutes were approved.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer's Report for January was reviewed.

Vicki asked Vivian to check the amount on Dec report under disbursements, #402. Vivian showed the printer on this month's sheet under account #404.