

ANGOLA PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING April 2nd, 2024

PRESENT Jack Kuebler, Jenn Page, Barb Schmitt, Diane Volker, Tressa Crehan, Sally Needham, Mari Gennell and Patty Friend.
Excused: Val Stonitsch

Jack Kuebler (President) opened the meeting at 6:00PM.

Barb moved to accept the **AGENDA** seconded by Sally. All in Favor. Approved.

MINUTES of the March 5th, 2024 Meeting were available. Tressa moved to accept Minutes, seconded by Sally. All in Favor. Approved.

TREASURER'S Report /Village Account Report – Sally motioned to accept the Treasurer's report, seconded by Barb. All in Favor. Approved.

CORRESPONDENCE: Thank you note from Sally Needham for bouquet of flowers received from the Library Staff and Board.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT - includes LIBRARY STATUS REPORTS. Jennifer noted that the door count was amazing this month due to the Solar Eclipse Glasses give away. Diane motioned to accept, Tressa seconded. All in Favor. Approved.

- A. PROGRAMS:** March ACTIVITY as presented on Director's Report. Take & Makes –50 distributed. Other programs included GED Classes (8 classes/ 26 total attendees), Liberwyrms Book Club, Tutors/Therapy, Collaborative Community Mission (2 classes/10 attendees). Meeting room use – 3 - Girl Scout meetings and Evangola Community Theater. Solar Eclipse Program (36 adults and 7 Children - Jennifer mentioned that the program was very interesting! Totality is expected at 3:18PM on April 8th. 1200 to 1500 eclipse glasses were distributed these past weeks!)
- B. PROGRAMS UPCOMING:** as presented on Director's Report. Many listed including Lego Drop-in Week, Cookbook Club, Book a Technology Trainer, CCM: Mondays at 4pm., Scout Troup meetings, Smokey Bear 80th Birthday Reading Challenge. Environmental Fair on Saturday April 20th from 9am to 2pm.
- C. CENTRAL NEWS** as presented on Director's Report. None listed
- D. STAFF REPORT** None
- E. CIRCULATION REPORT** as presented on Director's Report: 2024 YTD: Library Visits 10,525*, Circulation (First Circ*) at 4,799. *First Circ only counts the first time an item is checked out. *Solar Eclipse Glasses!
- F. PURCHASES AND NEEDS** * as presented on Director's Report. None listed
- G. GRANTS** as presented on Director's Report: Expenditures and remaining balances noted on the report.
- H. FUNDRAISING** as presented on Director's Report: 2024 YTD \$597.39 includes Candy Bars, Book and Library Bags Sale, as well as funds from the Donation Jar.

OLD BUSINESS

- ACT WORKSHOP March 9th at Central – Certificates to sign and submit to Jennifer were distributed to those who had attended the workshop. The training from March 9th is available on line as per email received from Central today. Jennifer to inquire if the on-line video would count as Trustee training for those who could not attend the training on March 9th. She will advise us of the response. Comments regarding the Workshop: "Very informative", "Well organized", program related to "Behaviour problems in the library" was really informative per those who attended the particular workshop. "Lunch was delicious", "it was amazing to see the hidden storage floor with rows and rows of books!".
- a. Harvest dinner date is scheduled for October 19, 2024. Evans Center Fire Hall. **CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY –The Angola Public Library will be 100 years old in 2024. (11/24/1924 – 11/24/2024).** Looking for ideas on how to celebrate. History Note: Library was established in 1880, but didn't become a Public Library until 1924. In 1924 it was

located in the back of the old Angola Bank Building. In 1971 we moved to our current building. At an earlier 2023 meeting, Jennifer had given us copies of ideas that the Lancaster Library had done for their Centennial Celebration.

Discussion at the January 2024 Meeting included: Jennifer is gathering various bits of memorabilia for library and also for the Village as well. Val suggested that if Jennifer has duplicates please see if Village hall can use for their display box. Jennifer to check with Central Library because she knows they have some Angola related items as well. Jack suggested that we all go into the basement of the Angola Library someday soon to see what is down there that we can use. Maybe we can have a visit from “Reada the Owl” to start getting people’s attention.

Discussion at the February 2024 Meeting included: 1) Jennifer has some old library files/stuff for us to look through. She has a photo of the old building on Commercial Street that was once home to the library. 2) Diane suggested maybe we should create Buttons. 3) Val suggested that we create and distribute “100 YR Anniversary Bags” for our Bag sale? Or Sell them for 100 Cents each? 4) Then we discussed selling the hot dogs for 100cents, and or the water for 100cents! Different ideas were brought up for discussion. We need to push our 100YR ANNIVERSARY! 5) Jack’s wife Kathy had suggested having Harvest Dinner Placemats instead of a program. Maybe Central can help us. Have a color Collage of photos. We thought Shelby would be good at helping to create this too!

Discussion at the March 2024 Meeting included: 1) Jack – he is working on the 100 year Anniversary Placemat Project (photo collage of library and activities). He would like to include a photo of the library board – so be ready at the next meeting! 2) possibly have “Photos by the Decade” on display at the dinner. 3) Jennifer mentioned that she would like to have magnets made up to help celebrate our 100 years. Everyone liked this idea! Cost would be approx 49cent to 69cents each We would give away at the dinner. 4) Legislator Mills is preparing a proclamation for the Library and we anticipate that the Village of Angola and Town of Evans will do the same.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. STATE REPORT** – Jennifer emailed the completed 48 page state report to all members of the board. Questions from Mari: Is Jennifer considered the Library Manager on this report? Yes. Last Fiscal Audit was 1971? Yes. Braille Reader – do we have? Jennifer said no, but they are available at Central and we can request if necessary. Barb had asked earlier in the meeting: “is Library by mail” available through our library. Jennifer said “we can provide info on this service to anyone who may need this service”. No further questions. The report needed to be adopted. Patty motioned to adopt the State Audit Report as presented/submitted by the Library Manager. Mari seconded. All in favor. “AYE” Unanimous. Approved.
- B. Hot Dog Sale** - Barb mtioned and Sally seconded that we host the Annual Hot Dog Sale on June 29th. Patty not sure about a possible conflict with the Brant Summerfestival at this time. However - All in favor. Approved.

TRUSTEE TRAINING

- A.** Jennifer will have a list prepared to record completed training. Jennifer to let Board know if the on-line video of the March 9th ACT workshop training is acceptable training for those who were unable to attend the event in person.

NEXT MEETING will be May 7th, 2024 6PM

Miscellaneous Local Community News: Jack Keubler’s birthday is April 19th. Tressa inquired: “Will July 2nd will be the meeting date in July?” Jack responded “Yes”. Jack said “Happy Mother’s Day to all mom’s on the Board and Happy Birthday to Jennifer’s mom (Marsha)”.

ADJOURNMENT Tressa motioned that we adjourn the meeting at 6:45PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Patty Friend