

**ANGOLA PUBLIC LIBRARY**  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING January 2, 2024

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

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

Diane moved to accept the **AGENDA**, seconded by Sally. All in Favor. Motion carried.

**ELECTIONS -**

- Election of Trustee Diane Volker as her term expired on 12/31/2023. She was agreeable to re-nomination. Jack Kuebler motioned and Tressa Crehan seconded to nominate Diane as a Trustee. There were 3 calls for additional nominations. None were entered. Nominations were closed and the Secretary (Patty Friend) cast one ballot for Diane to be elected as Library Trustee.

**Election of Table Officers** – Valerie Stonitsch ran the elections at this time.

- Sally Needham Motioned and Diane Volker seconded to nominate Jack Kuebler as President. Val: Three calls for additional nominations and none were entered.
- Sally Needham Motioned and Diane Volker seconded to nominate Barbara Schmitt as Vice President. Val: Three calls for additional nominations and none were entered.
- Tressa Crehan Motioned and Sally Needham seconded to nominate Patty Friend as Secretary. Val: Three calls for additional nominations and none were entered.
- Barbara Schmitt Motioned and Tressa Crehan seconded to nominate Mari Grennell as Treasurer. It was pre-confirmed that Mari is open to the office of Treasurer. Three calls for additional nominations and none were entered.

Valerie stated that all Floor Nominations of Table Officers were closed. Call for a vote – all in favor AYE; Let it be known that all officers as listed above were voted in unanimously. Each of the elected officers as well as the reelected trustee must go to the Angola Village Hall to be sworn in prior to January 31, 2024. Officers should advise Jennifer Page via email of their sworn in date.

Valerie Stonitsch closed the elections and newly re-elected president Jack Kuebler then conducted the meeting.

**MINUTES** Minutes of the October 2023 Meeting were available. (No meeting in November or December.) Jack asked for motion to accept the Minutes. Diane moved to accept Minutes, seconded by Barb. All in Favor. Motion carried.

**TREASURER'S** Report /Village Account Report - Tressa motioned to accept the Treasurer's report. Seconded by Sally. All in Favor. Motion carried.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** Received Trustee survey on line. Lake Shore Central Schools sent notice to Library as they are looking for someone to run Pre-K program.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT** - includes LIBRARY STATUS REPORTS.

- A. PROGRAMS:** 3 MONTHS ACTIVITY: OCTOBER/NOVEMBER/DECEMBER as presented on Director's Report. Take & Makes – Oct-97/Nov-86/Dec-75 distributed. Other programs included GED Classes (20 classes/ 40 total attendees), Book Club, Tutors/Therapy, Halloween Fun Night (96 attendees), Christmas in the Village Door Count 1,119 (activities included ornament crafts, letters to Santa, Balloon Artist and Magician – see report for further details), Graham Cracker House Building (3 sessions – 64 total attendees), Cookbook Club, Collaborative Community Mission (12 classes/72 attendees). Meeting room use - 5 Girl Scout meetings & Girome Birthday Party.

- B. PROGRAMS UPCOMING:** as presented on Director's Report. Many listed including Lego Drop-in Week, Cookbook Club, Book a Trainer, CCM: Mondays at 4pm. Solar Eclipse Program March 30<sup>th</sup>, Girl Scout Troup meets January 11+25.
- C. CENTRAL NEWS** as presented on Director's Report. A supply of Solar Eclipse glasses were provided in Oct and Dec, courtesy of Buffalo Museum of Science. Over 300 have been distributed to Angola patrons. A large supply of COVID tests at Central are available to libraries on request. We have joined up with Mission Ignite to provide free computer training and looking for more people to register. People who complete the training can receive a free refurbished computer.
- D. STAFF REPORT** as presented on Director's Report. Our Clerk Aryn Fitzgerald resigned in November. Mary Spicciatie has moved into the Clerk position. Nathan Han has been hired as our new Page.
- E. CIRCULATION REPORT** as presented on Director's Report: 2023 YTD: Library Visits 32,975, Circulation (First Circ\*) at 20,325. \*First Circ only counts the first time an item is checked out.
- F. PURCHASES AND NEEDS \*** as presented on Director's Report. A new vaccum needed to be purchased. Approval for purchase granted at previous meeting.
- G. GRANTS** as presented on Director's Report: Expenditures and remaining balances noted on the report.
- H. FUNDRAISING** as presented on Director's Report: 2023 YTD \$2,546.04 includes Candy Bars, Book and Library Bags Sale and Easter Cactus (special sale), as well as funds from the Donation Jar.
- I. Miscellaneous** as presented on Director's Report: Clarence Library sent us paperback racks they no longer need. They are solid wood and will replace our old plastic and metal racks.
- J. NOT LISTED ON THE REPORT, but Jennifer made mention:** As director, Jennifer is entitled to a pay increase and retro pay as per Central. \$3.561/ hr increase bringing rate to 27.59/hr. All in attendance were happy to hear this news! Motion to accept FULL DIRECTOR'S REPORT and additional comment was made by Diane and seconded by Sally. All in Favor. Accepted/Approved.

## OLD BUSINESS

- ROOF REPAIR Completed

## NEW BUSINESS

- a. Harvest dinner date is scheduled for October 19, 2024. Evans Center Fire Hall. 2 violinists scheduled.
- b. ACT meeting – we don't have a date yet for the Meeting. Jennifer will advise when it is announced. Tentatively; January 20, 2024 at West Seneca Library.
- c. **CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY** – (Some notes carried over from April 2022 Meeting. Now moved from old business to new business in January 2024.) The Angola Public Library will be 100 years old in 2024. (11/24/1924 – 11/24/2024). Looking for ideas on how to celebrate. We can celebrate at our Harvest Dinner too! 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.
- d. Jennifer is offering space to Garden Club for some historical file storage both in the basement and upstairs. ie; "Daisy Chain" Newsletter for Garden Club, Photos and etc.
- e. Valerie inquired: are the Cook Book Clubs and other events posted on Facebook? Village is always looking to help promote the Angola Library and activities. Note that after Village organization meeting, she remains as our liason with the Village for this 2024 year. {YAY!} Valerie also advised us that if we need a new watermeter contact the water department as they have more available (free). Also if you know of anyone needing them – they may also contact the water department.

- f. Electronic Device for Library Window display – Still on the to-do list. Can't really find where to purchase this item as yet. Jack to ask someone from the Fire Department to help.

**TRUSTEE TRAINING**

- A. Jennifer will have a list prepared to record training. All Trustees must fulfill the required training for 2024. We are all to bring suggestions for training to the next meeting. If we have a specific topic, Central may be able to send out someone to do the training for us in person.

NEXT MEETING will be February 6, 2024 6PM

ADJOURNMENT Sally motioned that we adjourn the meeting at 6:50PM

Respectfully Submitted,  
Patty Friend