

SURING AREA PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
May 28,2019

Members present: Director-Jill Trochta
 Town of Maple Valley-Joyce Fifield, Lowell Suring
 Town of Breed-Marybeth Ascher, Betty Elbe
 Town of How-Theresa Zahn
 Town of Bagley-Joann Ratajczyk

The May 2019 meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Suring Area Public Library was called to order by Board President, Theresa Zahn, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. A motion to approve the agenda was made by Joann Ratajczyk, seconded by Bette Elbe, and carried. A motion to approve the minutes of the April meeting was made by Bette Elbe, seconded by Lowell Suring and carried.

FRIENDS REPORT: Marybeth Ascher reported that the highly successful Friends rummage sale raised approximately \$7000. Their next fundraising event will be a pie and ice cream social on July 21.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Jill Trochta reported about several meetings. During a staff meeting on May 1, library shelving was rearranged to create more space. On May 7, the Oconto County Library Services Board met to change the allocation percentages, decreasing collection and circulation emphases and increasing program attendance, total service population, and use of public internet. On May 14, Jill attended the Village of Suring Board meeting to share news of the library.

In programming the Maker Mondays, Hook and Knit, Book Clubs, Storytime, and movies are ongoing, and a Paint and Pallet event will be held on May 30. The Summer Reading Program will begin mid-June and go for five weeks with sessions for Pre-K through adults. Generous donations have been given by local businesses. On July 12, there will be a presentation titled "Incredible Bats" with live bats to show.

Mary Smith and her agriculture classes from Suring School have begun work on the library gardens.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Board reviewed the petty cash report, revenues and expenditures, and vouchers. A motion to approve the payment of May bills was made by Marybeth Ascher, seconded by Joyce Fifield, and carried.

OLD BUSINESS: Wireless-The wireless internet access has been installed and is working beautifully. The staff has been promoting use of the library's wireless to patrons.

NEW Credit Union-Accounts have been opened at the Credit Union. Funds will now be transferred from Huntington Bank.

NFLS Grant-The Suring, Lena, and Gillett libraries have collaborated on a grant application to the Nicolet Federated Library System. The grant monies would be used to purchase virtual reality headsets, a new technology that allows people to explore and

learn in a fun and interactive way at the library and possibly at the senior center or school.

NEW BUSINESS: **Budget**-The budget committee will meet on July 25 to prepare a tentative budget for 2020.

ADJOURN: A motion to adjourn was made by Marybeth Ascher, seconded by Joyce Fifield, and carried.

Respectfully submitted
Joyce Fifield, Secretary
Suring Area Public Library Board of Trustees
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