

HOYT LAKES PUBLIC LIBRARY

January 23, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Chair Sandy Nemanic. Present: Sue Sowers, Sandy Nemanic, Shelly Leffel, Sharon Nelson, Holly Gross, and Sarah Royseth.

MINUTES from Dec 28 were read and approved with a change to those listed as present. Library Clerk Michelle was changed to Library Technician Michele Lammi. The motion was made by Sarah and seconded by Sharon to approve the amended minutes. Unanimously carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Treasurer's Report was read and approved. A motion was made by Sarah and seconded by Sharon to approve the Treasurer's Report. Unanimously carried. Footnotes: The operating expenses reflect the \$1500 RIPL grant awarded in 2023. The Library was awarded a \$55,000 Blandin Grant received through the City of HL as fiscal agent.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT: There were 5 new registrations in Dec. Local usage was 82%. TalkBox had 2 uses. Downloadable items and Hoopla total 250. Hoopla usage was 96. ILL's sent out were 196. ILL's received were 68. The total circulation for Dec was 997. Computer usage was 86. A motion was made by Holly and seconded by Sandy to approve the Librarian's Report. Unanimously carried.

NEW INVOICES: The invoices were discussed. A motion was made by Sharon and seconded by Sandy to approve the new invoices. Unanimously carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Welcome to Shelly Leffel our new Board member.
2. The second public forum was facilitated Jan 18 attended by 20 people. There were two focus groups formed for the Arena/Multipurpose room (6ppl) and for community events/festivals (7ppl).

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Election of officers: Chair, Sandy Nemanic; Treasurer, Sue Sowers; Secretary, Sarah Royseth
The current slate of officers has been unanimously approved to continue in 2024. A motion was made by Holly and seconded by Sharon.
2. Upcoming programs:
 - Sit and Stitch will be the 4th Sat (Jan 27 and Feb 24) at 10:30am
 - Book Bites will be the 3rd Tues (Feb 20) at 2pm
 - Monthly movies will be the 2nd Thursday (Feb 8) at 1pm: Leap Year
 - Monthly crafts on the 4th Tues (Feb 27) at 11am: Flannel Frame
 - Puzzle and Board Game Swap: Feb 23 and 24
 - Leap Day story time: Feb 29 at 10:30am
3. Craft Swap Jan 26 and 27
4. Blind date with a book is currently happening and has been popular
5. There are two boxes of books collected for shipment to the Maui Fire victims

The next Library Board meeting will be Tuesday Feb 27, 2024 at 5:00pm.

A motion was made by Sarah and seconded by Holly to adjourn at 6:00pm. Unanimously carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Sarah Royseth