

**IRONWOOD CARNEGIE LIBRARY**  
Regular Library Board Meeting Minutes  
4pm Tuesday, January 19 2021

**I. Call to order.** 4:00 Present: Amber Hurkmans, Wendy Hicks, Pam Johnson, Helen Slining, Lynne Wiercinski. Absent: Kathi Maciejewski, Kim Corcoran

**II. Approval of December Financial Reports (including bills):** Do not have

**III. Approval of December Minutes:** Pam moved, Helen seconded. Passed unanimously.

**IV. Adjustments to the Agenda:** None

**V. Continuing/old Business**

- a. Building Updates:** Two lights were installed on the back of the shed by Giovannoni's for about \$200. It is now very well lit outside. The City came and cleaned up some of the snow and will try to keep the ramp area cleaned up. Joe Saari is still doing the snow removal. Looking ahead to spring, there is painting needed on the trim and eaves outside.
- b. Phased re-opening status:** Curbside pickup is continuing. Wakefield and Bessemer libraries are on the same page. Business is 53% of last year's at this time. Most libraries are continuing with curbside until the end of the month. Will determine if inside visits will be appropriate at that time.
- c. Staffing/contracting:** Superiorland Cooperative has hired a new IT person. That will help everyone get back on track. There is a meeting Friday to assess our needs.

**VI. New Business**

- a. Election of Officers:**  
Amber Hurkmans as President: Wendy moved, Helen seconded. Passed unanimously  
Wendy Hicks as Vice-President: Helen moved, Pam seconded. Passed Unanimously  
Kathi Maciejewski as Secretary: Wendy moved, Helen seconded. Passed unanimously.
- b. Annual Appeal Update:** \$8500 so far, a little ahead of last year.
- c. Vacation time carry over:** Lynne will carry over 2 weeks of vacation. Amber moved, Wendy seconded. Passed unanimously.

**VII. Director Report:**

The Iron Mountain (Dickinson Library) Virtual Youth Workshop is being held on 1/21. Lynne is doing a presentation on grant writing. Families and adults have been asking staff to select books for them. There have been a lot of losses due to COVID affecting staff members, friends and volunteers. Vaccinations are starting for three staff members that meet the guidelines (over 65, pre-existing conditions, etc.). Library of MI has been meeting every other week. Discussion has included how libraries are writing policies about weapons as Michigan is an open carry state. Everyone has learned a lot. The meetings are positive and everyone hopes the meetings continue.

**VIII. Board Comments:** None

**IX. Public invitation to be heard.**

(5-minute limitation per speaker)

**X. Adjournment. 4:46pm**