

**Minutes of the Aurora Public Library District
April 22, 2024, at 6:15 pm**

The Aurora Public Library District Board of Trustees met on April 22, 2024, at the Local History Library at the Depot. In attendance were Angela Burkhardt, Michelle Ryan, Jack Sutton, and Jascia Robinson. Also, in attendance was Library Director Leslie Sutherlin and Business Manager Lydia Morath. Not able to attend were Heather Tackitt, Ben Turner, and Terri Nicholson.

Due to President Turner being ill, Vice President Sutton called the meeting to order at 6:16 pm.

March minutes were tabled until May's meeting due to not enough members in attendance from the March meeting.

Sutherlin shared her Librarian's Report. In the area of staffing, Jamie Johnston shifted from part-time to full-time and will be heading up School Age programming. Emily and Tammy will share storytime and outreach. Cameron Spence is leaving to take a position with more hours. College girls Riley Barth and Emma Ferguson are returning to work summer. Juanita Combs still volunteers for community service. Several professional development events occurred: Sarah Ankenbauer, Emily Combs, Jamie Haney, Tammy Wohlfrom joined Leslie Sutherlin at the Public Library Association National Conference; Sky Perry and Leslie Sutherlin attended the ILF Regional Conference at Floyd County Public Library; Jessica Rowlett traveled to Indianapolis for the IU Libraries and Literacy Symposium. Bobbie Gates continues to be active on the Indiana Digital Library Committee. The staff were celebrated during National Library Week with a variety of surprises.

In the area of Building and Technology, Sutherlin reported another incident involving a patron and the A-2 entry stairs. An ambulance was called for this one and staff had trouble connecting to 911 via our VOIP. Sutherlin worked with Jared Teaney and ENA to resolve the issue. DPL was used for a birthday party. Mike Reddell worked at the Depot to gather specs for to make his recommendations for repairs there. Directional signs and new message boards were ordered for APL and the Depot. Sutherlin and Morath held a design meeting with krM and showed how they might be able to add a pull-through garage for the future bookmobile. Sutherlin has been working with Midwest Data on a Cybersecurity Written Discovery that the Indiana Office of Technology can use to help us evaluate our cyber strengths and weaknesses. Sutherlin ordered Aunt Flow feminine product dispensers for both APL and DPL.

In regards to meetings, Sutherlin externally attended the Dillsboro Town Council, the Aurora City Council, a Cybertrack Onboarding meeting, two Project Ready meetings, and participated with the Youth Institute Poverty Simulation. Internally, she met with two patrons, held a Marketing meeting, a planning meeting for BTL, and an exit interview. She assisted two employees who had challenges with a patron potentially searching inappropriate topics. She was in contact with the Dillsboro Arts Friendship Gallery about a possible art installation, and met with Penworthy sales rep.

Sutherlin reviewed the programming for the past month. APLD partnered with Aurora Main Street for the Egg Hunt game. APLD partnered with St. John to bring the Missoula Children's Theatre to the area with 5 days of rehearsal, 3 workshops, and 2 performances. An eclipse viewing party was held, as well as two lectures. APLD partnered with Hillforest for the Book Lover's Tea. Regarding regular programming we had 16 weekday storytimes, including tot proms, 2 Saturday storytimes, 1 Outreach storytime, 2 Lego clubs, 2 coding clubs, 2 chapter chats, 1 teen book club, 1 teen time, 1 teen gaming, 1 beginner D &

D, 1 local history round table, 5 adult book clubs, 1 pop up genealogy, 1 senior outreach, 2 adult craft programs, 1 Computers for seniors, and a series of felting workshops.

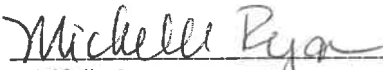
As far as collections and materials, Sutherlin reported a lot of activity, including distributing about 3,000 eclipse glasses, purchasing of books for Dillsboro in Bloom and Pride, and sending out coasters to area restaurants. Regular purchasing of books, digital materials and AV occurred, in addition to a large amount of children's nonfiction. She reported that the book sale remainders would soon be picked up, and that the Library of things is in the process of being catalogued. She spoke with Jim Deaton and Cheri Rump about possible updates that could be made in the Dillsboro Local History Room.

Sutherlin reviewed her recent meeting with krM architects and some members originally involved with the building of the Dillsboro Library and the founding of the Dillsboro Local History room. Sutherlin also reminded board members to complete their internal control training and submit the form to Lydia Morath. There was no other new business.

Sutherlin shared the April revenue was LIT for \$22,823.50. Ryan motioned and Robinson seconded to approve the April claims. Motion passed. Ryan motioned and Robinson seconded to accept the March Treasurer's Report. Motion passed.

It was announced the next meeting would be at Aurora Public Library District on Monday, May 20, 2024, at 6:15 pm. Burkardt motioned for adjournment at 7:36 pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Michelle Ryan, secretary

