

COLEMAN AREA LIBRARY BOARD MINUTES March 19, 2024

CALL TO ORDER: Present: Scott, Coon, Middleton, Robison, Tigner, Anthony and Director Nelson. Guests, Amy Comber Gross, Hannah Karl and Wendy Gross.

Absent: None

Minutes: Motion by Anthony, 2nd by Middleton to adopt the February 2024 Minutes. All yes. Motion carried.:

Treasurer's Report: Motion by Anthony, 2nd by Scott to adopt the February 2024 Treasurer's Report. All yes. Motion carried.

Bills: Motion by Coon, 2nd by Middleton to Pay the Bills. All yes. Motion carried.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

E-Rate Grant. The library was notified that we were approved for a grant totaling \$ 14,468.50 (Federal funds \$ 13,745.08) and (State of Michigan funds \$723.42) in an initiative that will enable the library to access the State of Michigan network for high speed internet.

Shelving re-arrangement Update: On March 7, Eagle Scouts Bergen Mowry and Ethan Houghton and their fathers, Brent Mowry and Bob Houghton helped the staff move shelving from the main area into the children's room and helped re-shelve children's books onto them. The children's books that were intended for the new shelves were assembled on carts and tables. We treated the movers to Bomber's Pizza and soft drinks.

AARP Tax Appointments: There are only 4 AARP openings left, most on the last day, April 3rd.

Consumer's Energy—energy assessment: In early March, a representative from Consumers Energy performed an energy assessment on the building. She installed air-raters for the faucets and gave us 5 energy efficient power strips for our computers.

City Water Meter Replacement Program. Beginning in April and for approximately the next year the city will be replacing water meters. The

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conversion takes up to an hour. It will involve interruption in water availability and temporary street closures. They will contact us to set up an appointment.

Midland Area Community Foundation Year End Statement's arrived. The primary Endowment Fund has a balance of \$409,491.55 at the end of 2023. The secondary fund totals \$11,775.23.

Coleman Business Post-Secondary Hub Ribbon Cutting: On April 11th at 3:00 p.m, there will be a ribbon cutting at the Community Center to launch a hub for post-secondary learning. It is a cooperative venture between the Midland Area Career and college access network's adult learner team and the great Midland Community Center and the Coleman Family Center. The hub will be provided with 12 laptop and 2 desktop computers, as well as a printer and workspace.

Headstart Meeting: Amy attended a Headstart Meeting at the Community center on March 6th after work to meet the public and dispense information about our programs and activities. She also hosted a tour last Tuesday for 5 daycare children.

Easter Programming: The Easter egg scavenger hunt is fast approaching and the library is also promoting a Peeps diorama contest for the second year in a row.

Money Smart: Tour on April 9th, from 1 to 2:30. The children will be treated to a book concerning an introduction to money management at elementary level and a craft.

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS: None

ADJOURNMENT: Motion by Scott, 2nd by Coon. All yes. Motion carried.