

MINUTES FOR ARTHUR PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT

January 17, 2022

Present: President Allen, Trustees Fritz, Singer, Yeakel, Yoder; Director Pruitt.
Absent: Stewart

Meeting was called to order by President Allen at 6 p.m.

Minutes were approved on a motion by Singer, second by Yoder

Treasurer's report was approved on a motion by Yeakel, second by Yoder.

Director's report - Kelsey Pruitt

1) Covid response. Not arguing with the public about masks. Asking patrons to comply and hoping for the best. Because there have been staffing issues - Dawn has been sick and Miranda has been with her mother who is ill - that leaves Robin and Kelsey. So Kelsey asked if it's OK to close at 6 p.m. for the time being until things get sorted out and she gets the full staff back. Board approved the idea.

2) Furnace quote. Heat and air are over 30 years old. The cost to replace both will be \$17,867.00. Question as to whether the hot water heater needs to be replaced too. Kelsey will get a quote for that as well. A motion was made by Fritz with a second by Singer to approve these expenditures. Motion passed.

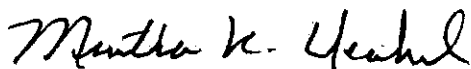
3) Fine amnesty in March. Plan to offer patrons amnesty to those who owe fines over \$5. They will receive 1/2 off their fine total if paid during the month of March.

4) Circulation desk. There have been many issues with the installation of the circulation desk. The children's area has been moved to the south wall because library shelves with childrens' books had to be moved to accommodate placement of the new desk. The desk seems low and the dropbox is definitely too low. Raised partitions had been placed in the wrong spots but, in looking at them, the board was able to figure out where they should be and moved them. There is also a problem with the stain on the end of some of the cabinets.

The bills were approved on a motion by Yoder, second by Yeakel.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:39 p.m. on a motion by Singer, second by Yoder

Respectfully submitted,



Martha K. Yeakel, Secretary