

Rusk County Community Library Board
Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, March 14th, 2023

Present: Randy Tatur, Cindy Pohlman, Annette Barna, Christinna Swearingen, Nathan Johnson, Leah Fuse, Anna Kauffman

Public: Erin Webster

Meeting called to order by Chairman, Randy Tatur, at 5:00 P.M.

The board reviewed the meeting minutes from February 14th, 2023. A motion to approve the meeting minutes was made by Cindy Pohlman, seconded by Nathan Johnson. The motion carried.

The board reviewed the financial statements. A motion to accept the financial statements at the next board meeting in April was made by Cindy Pohlman, seconded by Nathan Johnson. The motion carried.

The board reviewed the February/March 2023 invoices. The electric bill will begin to decrease in approximately 2 months, after the solar panels are working. There is a computer, in the upper library, that allows the public to see the dollar savings from the solar panels.

The board discussed the library building maintenance issues. The roof is leaking, the ice is built up by the doorways, and there is mold. A company came to take samples of the mold in the closet and other places where flooding has occurred in and around the building. The County Maintenance fixed some of the repairs on the repair list. The rest of the repairs have to be approved by Joint-Management.

The Director's report was presented by Christinna Swearingen. There has been good attendance for the library's youth and adult programs. The library is fully staffed. ACT 150 money has started to come in, and the grant money for a water bottle filler, for one of the water fountains, should be in at the end of the month.

The board also discussed the mandatory Strategic Library Plan, that needs to be completed, to be in compliance with IFLS. The Rusk County Board has to form the committee to complete the Strategic Plan. Randy Tatur will put this item on the Rusk County Board agenda for April 2023.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:37P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Leah Fuse