

**Rusk County Community Library Board
Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, May 9th, 2023

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

Public: Erin Webster, Robert Grotzinger

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

The board reviewed the April 2023 financial statements. A motion to accept the April 2023 financial statements was made by Nathan Johnson, seconded by Leah Fuse. The motion carried.

The board reviewed the April/May 2023 invoices. A motion to approve the April/ May 2023 invoices was made by Cindy Pohlman, seconded by Anna Kauffman. The motion carried.

Next, the board held nominations for Chairperson and Vice- Chairperson. There was one candidate nominated for the Chair position, Randy Tatur. A motion to close nominations and cast an unanimous ballot for Randy Tatur, to be the Rusk County Community Library Board Chairperson ,was made by Cindy Pohlman, seconded by Nathan Johnson. The motion carried. Cindy Pohlman was nominated for the Vice-Chairperson position. A motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Cindy Pohlman, to be the Rusk County Community Library Vice-Chairperson, was made by Anna Kauffman, seconded by Nathan Johnson. The motion carried.

The Rusk County Board approved, that 3 board members from the Rusk County Community Library Board, could be selected for the Library Planning Committee. The board members selected are Cindy Pohlman, Anna Kauffman, and Leah Fuse.

The board discussed the library building maintenance issues. The outside, south part of the building will be finished, when the temperature allows it. The round windows are to be taken out and replaced with a wall. The mold removal will cost approximately \$3000.00. Proposals to replace the HVAC unit and the air handler are due by May 17th, 2023.

The board discussed the billing for the ACT 150. The income from these invoices comes to total of approximately \$13,000.00. A motion to invoice the other counties ,for the ACT 150 reimbursement, was made by Cindy Pohlman, seconded by Nathan Johnson. The motion carried.

The Director's report was presented by Christinna Swearingen. The library programs for youth and adults have been very successful! The library has received a grant for \$4500.00, for a summer reading program. Also, the library has received a \$20,000.00 grant, to build a calming area in the library. The thief of library materials has been charged. The library is receiving the 2023 Green Award, by the Chamber of Commerce.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:35 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by Leah Fuse

