

April 29, 2025
7:00 P.M.
Bowdle Public Library

Board President Michelle Kessel called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM with the following Board Members present: Chad Holsworth, Jennifer Schmierer, Marjean Gab, and Librarian Lydia Schnaible. Absent: Stacy Preszler

A motion was made to approve the February meeting minutes by Marjean and seconded by Chad. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

The financial reports for the months of February and March were available from City F/O and reviewed. Motion was made by Chad and seconded by Jennifer to accept financial reports and pay bills. All present voted yes. Motion carried.

Librarian's Report: Visitor numbers were down for January, February, March. There are bigger groups coming for activities.

Old Business:

- All the CE hours that the Board needs for accreditation are done. Lydia will apply for accreditation which is due in August.
- There was a good turnout for the Easter Egg Hunt. About 100 people attended.
- Lydia submitted the Annual Report.
- The lights have all been replaced and it is much brighter in the library.

New Business:

- The evaluations for Lydia have been done by the Board. Michelle will take them to the City Office.
- Summer Reading is starting mid-June. There will be an adult program, tween program, elementary program, and Library School program. All the items on the Amazon Wishlist for Summer Reading have been purchased by library supporters. Lydia will be needing Buddy Readers to read with the elementary school kids. Lydia asked the Board if the Library could host a Family Picnic to end the Summer Reading program. The library would supply food and families could come play games and the Summer Reading awards and prizes would be given out then. The Board agreed to hold a Family Picnic. Depending on when Storybook Land Theatre is touring, the picnic/awards may be combined with their tour. Lydia will contact Storybook Land Theatre and see if and when they are touring. More discussion on this will be at the June meeting.
- The SDLA Conference is in Grand Forks October 1-3 this year. Instead of just SD, North Dakota and 12 other states will be coming together for one big conference. The early bird cost for the conference is \$235 with \$109/night for the hotel. The Board approved for Lydia to attend the conference and the cost of the hotel.
- The library needs to develop a policy for book reconsideration. Lydia will work on one for the next meeting.

The next library board meeting will be held Tuesday, June 24, 2025 at 7:00 PM in the library. A motion was made by Chad and seconded by Marjean to adjourn at 7:48 PM.

Lydia Schnaible, Library Director