

Allendale Township Library Board Meeting

Minutes: January 19, 2017

Members Present: Lenore Cook, Elaine Ebeling, Thom Eno, Carol Scholten, and Barb VanderVeen

Others: Rob Bristow

Absent: Cheryl Hilliker, Fred Hilliker, and Patti Walcott

PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

OLD BUSINESS:

2016 Annual Report—Report was presented which gave an overview of library activities, visits, and circulation. Circulation, visits, and program attendance is up for years before.

2017 Programs – Adult and Kid Program brochures were distributed. The library is adding several new programs this year.

2017 Goals – List of goals was distributed. One addition to the list is a comprehensive policy manual.

Monthly Newsletter – The newsletter has a new larger, format

\$50 for 50 Update – Over \$3,000 was donated as part of the \$50 for 50 campaign. Recognition will be in the lobby in the next month.

Staff Update – Joy retired in December and Brittany Nuland was hired to take over Youth Services. She has taken on the programs previously planned and has added several more. Brittany is starting a Teen Advisory Group to provide input and leadership for youth programming and the purchasing of youth materials.

Lending Library Items— The library is adding several items to the collection to loan. Items include Kindles, Xbox One, Wii U, Atari Flashback, and projector. Items will be available for loan in the next few weeks.

NEW BUSINESS:

Grants Applied For—Rob has applied for a grants to help offset some cost of programming and supplies.

Grant/Donation Received – The library received a continuing education grant for \$2,000 and a \$3,200 donation for early reader books. Staff will have opportunities to attend workshops and conferences that will help them receive certification through the Library of Michigan.

E-Rate Funding—The Board discussed the current Computer and Internet Use policy as well as the library's CIPA compliance. The Board reaffirmed the library's commitment to be CIPA compliant through our policy and filtering of all library computers.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 8:15PM