

SCOTT COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM MINUTES
MONDAY, AUGUST 28, 2023
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The agenda for this meeting was posted in public in all Scott County Library System Libraries in accordance with Iowa law. Vice President Shelli Engelbrecht called to order the August 28, 2023, meeting of the Scott County Library Board of Trustees at noon at the Eldridge branch.

Board of Trustees present: Chuck Brockmann, Linda Tuftee, Kevin Cahill, Shelli Engelbrecht, Dan True, Niki Wuestenberg, Kristal Koberg Schaefer, Angie Ehlers, and Director Tricia Kane. Tabatha Barker was also in attendance.

Approval of Agenda: The agenda was reviewed and approved by Kevin Cahill; seconded by Chuck Brockmann. Motion carried.

Approval of the Minutes: Linda Tuftee moved to approve the minutes; seconded by Niki Wuestenberg. Motion carried.

Approval of Bills and Receipts: The Accounts Payable Report for the meeting of Scott County Board of Supervisors for 7/18/23 – 8/21/23 were reviewed and discussed. Chuck Brockmann moved to approve the bills and receipts; seconded by Niki Wuestenberg. Motion carried.

Review of the Circulation and Budget: July circulation overall is up. The bookmobile has seen some nice increases since this time last year. Digital circulation is up. We have had substantial growth from last year in program attendance at all locations.

Correspondence: We received a 5-star review on Google Business listing for the Eldridge branch. There was a front-page story in the *NSP* about our accreditation and also information on the special meeting with the Eldridge city council.

Board Education: Tabatha Barker, public service coordinator, gave a Bridges presentation. Bridges is a service offering additional titles to patrons including 74,000+ eBooks, 22,000+ audio books, and 4,000+ magazines. This is an app offered through the library system; it is a second catalog in addition to River Share. There is no return process so patrons don't have to worry about returning items.

Director's Report:

- The t-shirt store from Raygun has been created.
- There was a leak in the brick exterior at the Princeton branch. It has been repaired.
- A printer/copier unit at Eldridge had to be replaced.
- Advertising for a part-time branch associate at the Walcott location.
- Summer reading program has wrapped up. The finale carnival in Eldridge had 284 attendees.

Old Business:

- City Council Meetings – we need to attend Dixon, Long Grove, Panorama Park and Riverdale yet.
- A special meeting with the Eldridge city council has been scheduled for Monday, August 28 at 6:00 p.m. to discuss the lease, which expires in 2025.
- Director's Evaluation: needs to be turned in to Kristal by Sept. 18.

Our next meeting will be Monday, September 25, 2023 at noon, in person at the Scott County Library Eldridge branch.

Niki Wuestenberg moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Linda Tuftee. Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Angie Ehlers