

**Carter Memorial Library
Library Board Meeting
Monday, March 15, 2021
4:30 p.m.**

1. **Call to Order:** President Janet Abalan called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. via a Zoom Video Conference.

2. **Roll:** Those present were Director Julie Stobbe, President Janet Abalan, Nicole Bahn, Eileen Cimermancic, Tom Ellis, Ann Reise, Stacey Wright, and Barbara Hodgen. Cindy Ostrander was absent from the meeting.

3. **Public Comments:** No public comments.

4. **Business**
 - a. **Minutes:** Ellis made a motion to approve the minutes from the January 2021 Board meeting. Bahn seconded and the motion passed with two abstentions.
 - b. **Revenues:** A motion was made by Hodgen to accept the January 2021 revenues as written. The motion was seconded by Ellis. Motion passed.
 - c. **Expenditures:** A motion was made by Hodgen to accept the January 2021 expenditures as written. The motion was seconded by Ellis. Motion passed.
 - d. **In person meetings:** A discussion was held in regard to resuming in person meetings for the board of trustees with masks and social distancing being honored and a maximum number of ten individuals present for the April 19 meeting. Accommodations for persons going above the in person maximum number will be made. A motion was made by Wright to resume in person gatherings of the board of trustees in the Alder room of the library with masks, social distancing, and an in-person limit of ten individuals present in the room. Reise seconded the motion and the motion passed. In relation to in person meetings for the board, the trustees also discussed opening up the community room for small groups and organizations.

5. **Informational Items:**
 - a. **January 2021 Vouchers Payable**
 - No discussion.
 - b. **January Donations**
 - No donations to report.
 - c. **February Statistics**

- Director Stobbe reviewed the statistics highlighting the fact that numbers will continue to evolve as patrons return to in person browsing after the March 1 reopening.

d. National Library Week April 4-10, 2021

- This year’s celebration will be curtailed, but patrons will still be treated with smaller recognitions in honor of the special week.

e. Director’s Report:

- New hours are Monday through Thursday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m., Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Saturday from 9 a.m. to noon.
- Last year’s reading challenge was cut short due to COVID-19, so prizes for those reading last year were awarded this month in honor of Dr. Suess.
- A March reading challenge through Beanstalk, called “March Madness” is currently in progress with excellent participation.
- The 2021 Summer Reading program will also be run through Beanstalk.
- No new developments were reported in terms of the City of Omro Comprehensive Study for the city hall and library building/renovation needs. Thoughts continue to be bantered around.

6. Agenda Items

- Agenda items for the April board meeting will remain the same.

7. Adjournment: Bahn made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Reise. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 4:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Hodgen
Secretary

2021 Board Meeting Schedule

Meetings will be held on the third Monday of each month at 4:30 p.m., with the exception of July and December.

April 19, 2021

May 17, 2021 (reorganize board)

June 21, 2021

August 16, 2021

September 20, 2021 (budget)

October 18, 2021

November 15, 2021

