

February 11, 2014

Hudson Area Public Library District  
Board of Trustees Meeting  
104 W. Pearl St.  
Hudson, IL 61748

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Dee Hinrichsen. Members present were Heather Plattner, Laura Haas, Nancy Rinda, Wonder Monson, and Carol Bland. HAPLD director, Maria Ford, was also present. The minutes of the January meeting were approved as read and so moved by Haas and seconded by Rinda.

#### **Library Director's Report**

Ford informed the board that she had been examining the current budget and preparing some tentative numbers for next year's budget and appropriation. A budget committee of board members and Ford will meet later on in the month. Ford gave the board an update on the closings in January due to the poor winter weather conditions. The library did not have internet access from January 20 to January 23 due to an issue with our routers and WiFi. Chris Minier, an independent computer repairman who also handles Carlock Library's IT, fixed and set up our routers. He is now our new IT person. Literary Guild had a group of 13 for the Thursday, January 16 discussion of *Unbroken* by Laura Hillenbrand. Mother-Daughter Book Club had a group of 10 for their discussion of *Far Far Away* by Tom McNeal. The staff discussed several big collection development projects, including an inventory of all the books in the library, at their monthly meeting.

#### **Secretary's Report**

Plattner informed the board that the library's credit card has earned \$470.00 in Visa Reward Points. Ford will use the money to purchase prizes for the Summer Reading Program and Ladies Night Out.

#### **Treasurer's Report**

The monthly expenses were reviewed and discussed.

#### **President's Report**

A budget committee consisting of Hinrichsen, Rinda, Haas, Ford, and Bland will meet on February 26 at 6:30 p.m. to begin preparing next year's budget.

#### **Old Business**

No report

**New Business**

The board discussed the current Winter Closings Policy from the HAPLD Personnel Policy. The board agreed to leave library closings to the discretion of the library director. Ford is currently making changes to the HAPLD Technology Plan. She will continue to simplify the technology plan and then bring it back to the board for review. The next meeting will be March 11, 2014. Rinda motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 p.m. Motion was seconded by Plattner.

Respectfully submitted,

*Carol Bland*

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*Approved as read*