Swisher Community Library

Board of Directors meeting

August 7. 2024

The Swisher Community Library Board of Directors met on August 7, 2024at 6:00 p.m. at City Hall.

Board Members present were Tera Kringle, Caiti Rowe (Zoom and In-Person), Monica Cox, and. Library Director Laura Hoover.

Minutes:

Minutes from Jul 3, 2024, meeting were reviewed, and a motion was made to approve them. MSC

Cox/Rowe all ayes. Motion passed.

Citizen’s Comments: No Comments

Director’s Report:

Financial Report: First month of FY25. Financial report presented and reviewed.

Bills to Pay: Bills were presented, and a motion was made to pay bills as presented. It was noted that a lot of the annual subscription payments are paid this month. MSC Rowe/Cox, all ayes. Motion passed.

Reports and Announcements

Director Hoover announced that Leah Ritter, the Assistant Librarian for Adult Programming had resigned, effective July 23. She has family obligations that need her attention.

Assistant Librarian job has been posted, applications accepted, and new person hired. Amanda Latta started work on Tuesday, August 6. She is newly graduated with her MLS and has experience in program reviews and archives. Her pay rate will be $16/hr., with just FICA and IPERS benefits. We are hoping that she can do some work on a digital history archive of Swisher/NW Johnson county.

Hoover reported that Leah Ritter’s father has passed away; a card will be sent from the Board.

Kelsey Taylor and Sammy Woltz have both done really well this Summer – it is unclear which one if either will be staying on for the winter due to changes in their individual circumstances. Hoover will keep the board updated.

Summer Reading is finished, and it went really well: over 140 Kids packets, school age and pre-school, were handed out and 30 Adult Packets were handed out. @ One hundred kids completed at least a part of the program and to date 3 Adults have (adults always take longer and or more likely to finish but never turn in the card) Pool Party went well with seventy people attending. The Mayor was there, which was nice.

Hoover clarified that although the city newsletter showed two positions open on the Library Board, there are in fact no openings at this time.

Hoover announced that she will be gone Friday, August 9th for a personal day, and Thursday through Saturday, August 29 -August 31 for vacation.

Other business: There was no other business.

Next meeting will be Wednesday September 4, 2024, (September 4) at 6:00 PM

Motion to adjourn at 6:40 PM MSC Rowe/Cox, all ayes. Motion passed.