

Reinbeck Public Library Trustee Board Meeting

May 11, 2026 4:30PM

The meeting was called to order at 4:30pm. Trustees present were President, Marilyn Evans, Brenda Snider, Bonnie Shinn, Tina Lyon (Holly Fleshner was absent.) Also, Michelle Sieh and Lenah Oltman, directors. NOTE: Bonnie Shinn left the meeting at 5:30pm.

There was a motion by Bonnie with a 2nd by Marilyn to approve the agenda. A motion by Marilyn with a 2nd by Tina to approve the bills, and a motion by Bonnie with a 2nd by Tina to approve the past meeting minutes.

April Statistics:

New Patrons: 2	Door Count: 834	PLOW: 491
Wifi: 684	Physical Circs: 1,128	Digital Circs: 266

DIRECTORS REPORT:

- Michelle attended the City Council meeting.
- Ordering books – Lenah and Michelle went to the Nook in Cedar Falls. They received 20% discount on their purchases. Books and a video game book were purchased on Amazon.
- Officer Broom and his K-9 dog are not coming to the library. Hopefully reschedule in August.
- Math Around Reinbeck was May 1st, went well with GR students.
- Promotion of our summer reading program with GR students visiting the library. Most grades have been able to attend, at the time of the this meeting.
- Summer reading program is an Ocean theme. Kickoff is May 31st 3:00 – 6:00
- Movie on Main “Hoppers”. June 6th at 8:30pm The Lion’s Club will be splitting the cost with the Library. Kyle Rasmussen/GWP will be donating the popcorn.
- Story walk in the park – Lexi Sager organized this project and a new book is now on display.
- Giving tree - we continue to receive donations and need to extend the tree for more donation books. Kyle Snider continues making and engraving the books.
- Maddi Bergman, our High School page, is leaving the library. Her last day is May 15th. We will be hiring a replacement.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Fundraising: RAGBRAI (July 23rd 11:00 - 2:00) – Holly was able to attend the information meeting. A couple themes were discussed “Reading is Cool” and “Rest and Recharge at the Library.” Our plan is to provide blankets, chairs, fans, misting spray bottles, sell freezer pops for bikers to cool off/eat lunch with a free will donation box. Also, we plan to have wet/cool bandana’s to sell – plan to purchase 100 for \$44. Offering a phone charging station.
- Banking/Venmo: We need to open a new checking account with Venmo funds going into this account. The Director and two board trustees will be on this account (3 people will always be on this account). Michelle, Brenda, and Marilyn will be meeting with Chris Frischmeyer at Lincoln SV Bank to open this account. Tina Made a motion with a 2nd by Marilyn to proceed with this.

- The alarm system bid has been approved and we are waiting to get it installed.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Tina Lyon is moving out of state. Diane Keith has shown interest in being on our board. She has agreed to join our Library Board. There was a motion by Marilyn and 2nd by Brenda to approve Diane as our new member.
- The trustee Handbook training was reviewed with new training chapters assigned to be read by the board members.

Next City Council meeting: June 1st at 5:30pm

Next Library Meeting: June 8th at 4:30pm

Meeting was adjourned at 5:45pm

Respectfully submitted by Brenda Snider, Secretary