

MINUTES

Eldora Public Library Board of Trustees

July 27, 2021

PRESENT: Jerry Trittien, , Emily Stoullil, , , Rex Lawler, Kristin Gehrke, and Joan Grothoff

MINUTES were approved. Bills were approved

Director's Report

- Summer reading program registered 100 kids, 8 teens, and 32 adults. They read a total of 89,968 minutes.
- Five STEM backpacks are ready for checkout. Backpacks are for families with children between ages 3-10. Backpacks were made possible by a grant from Iowa State Extension.
- Library "feels like old times." Library is being used like it was pre Covid.
- Friends of the Library are sending out annual giving letter.
- Incident with kids messing with the furniture. This was caught on the new library cameras.
- Back to school story walk and karaoke party planned for August 18th.
- A reading challenge to keep kids reading through the school year is coming. Elaine will provide after school activities twice a week.
- Library is reaching out to all day cares and the elementary to partner on some projects.

Old Business

- Rustic gray laminate was installed in the Conference room.
- New phone system was installed by Heart of Iowa Communications.
- Conference room use for meetings has been restricted. Front door has a bad lock. For profit groups will have a charge of \$25 for use of conference room.
- Library will get new lock and automatic access on the front door. Cost will be around \$3,000.
- Iowa Bike Ride was a success for Eldora, but didn't generate much library use.

New Business

- ARSL conference for rural libraries will be held in the state of Nevada.
- Halloween Trunk or Treat event with a storywalk is planned for October.

Next meeting: August 31, 2021