

**Algoma Public Library**  
**Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes**  
**April 15, 2024**

**Members Present:** Director Cathy Kolbeck, Lila Schlorf, Midge Swedberg, Nicole Meverden, Diana Vlies,

**Members Excused:** Sue Hass, Linda Sherman, Katie Strutz

The April 15, 2024 meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Algoma Public Library was called to order by Nicole Meverden at 4:01pm. A motion to approve the agenda was made by Midge Swedberg, seconded by Diana Vlies, motion carried.

**PUBLIC INPUT:** None

A motion to approve the minutes of the March 18, 2024 meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Algoma Public Library was made by Diana Vlies, seconded by Midge Swedberg, motion carried.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT:** Cathy gave an update on previous and upcoming library programs. Some upcoming library program highlights include:

- Saturday, April 20 – Open Quilting Lab, 10am-2pm
- Monday, April 22 – Money Matters program with Renee Koenig, 3:30pm
- Wednesday, April 24 – Bird Bingo, 3:30pm
- Saturday, April 27 – Smartphone Basics with Bug Tussel, 10:30am

Staff are working on finalizing plans for our Summer Reading programming.

Katie will be attending the Wisconsin Public Library Conference in Stevens Point May 1-May 3.

Library Staff will receive Job Pod Training on Thursday, April 25. Training to include scheduling virtual Department of Workforce Development (DWD) appointments, technology, DWD resources and support, marketing, and DWD materials. We will begin marketing this service to our community and surrounding areas soon. The program is scheduled to go live May 1.

The Carpeting project went well. The movers, those installing the carpet, library staff, and volunteers worked together great to make it a seamless project. A big thank you to all of our volunteers who helped make the project happen in a smooth and timely manner. Everything looks great and we've had great feedback from the community.

**TREASURERS REPORT:** Revenues and disbursements were presented to the Library Board.

**LIBRARY BILLS:** A motion to approve the April expenditures was made by Lila Schlorf seconded by Diana Vlies, motion carried.

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**OLD BUSINESS:** 2024 Policy Review & Approval: A motion was made to accept the library General Library policies with minor typo changes as presented by Midge Swedberg, seconded by Diana Vlies, Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Discussion of Fine-Free Options: Cathy presented some information and background on Fine-Free options. The library became Fine Free for Children & Teen materials in July of 2021. At that time, the board had talked about looking at other options in the future. After some discussion, the board decided that they will look at it further with a possible vote at next month's Library Board Meeting.

**ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING:** Fine Free Discussion & Approval

**ADJORN:** A motion to adjourn was made by Midge Swedberg, seconded by Lila Schlorf, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 4:32pm. The next meeting of the Algoma Public Library Board of Trustees will be Monday, May20, 2024 at 4:00pm.

Minutes Recorded by Lila Schlorf  
Minutes Written by Cathy Kolbeck  
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