

Scio Memorial Library  
Minutes  
August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023

Present: Deb Root                      Carole Wells  
          Carol Bush                     Carolyn Miller                      Absent, excused: Donna Emrick  
          Linda Clayson                 Raeanne Smith

The meeting was called to order by Deb at 11:00 a.m., and the pledge of allegiance recited.

**Preliminaries:**

The Minutes of the July meeting were approved upon motion by Carole, seconded by Carol, with all in favor. No correspondence was noted. Carol Faulkner, faithful volunteer working on the Bi-Centennial project, displayed a quilt given to retiring teacher Odessa Nickerson in 1976. She had some success seeking answers and identities posed by photographs and articles she has discovered in our historical holdings. She was thanked for all she has done to organize our historical material.

**Treasurer's Reports:**

The reports presented were discussed. The few glitches transferring to the new payroll agency are being worked out. Thanks to Carole for that follow-up. The receipt of over \$9,000 in grant funding this year was noted, with thanks to Raeanne. The amount optimistically included in the budget for fundraising was discussed, with a few suggestions. The chart prepared for the Bi-Centennial display does offer the option to older donors who might wish to satisfy the Required Minimum Distribution mandate for their IRA's. This might be expanded with a timely reminder in the school newsletter or a pamphlet could be prepared to encourage donations and convenient ways to support our library. Carol moved acceptance of the treasurer's report. The motion was seconded by Carole, with all in favor. The bill schedule was unanimously approved upon motion by Linda, seconded by Deb.

**Director's Report:**

Two Summer Youth Employees have been in service at the library, and that program will end shortly. Cleaning and clearing the shed has been proceeding. As Raeanne's first anniversary with us is celebrated, we were glad to realize that this month's circulation is nearly doubled over last year, and the summer reading programs have been very successful.

One post is toppled and one is very wiggly in the fence at our southern boundary; this will need some attention.

**Bi-Centennial Participation:**

Board member coverage of the library was arranged for August 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> so the public may view historical displays.

**Next Meeting:**

The September board meeting will be held on the 14<sup>th</sup>, and on the agenda will be the 2024 budget, tax cap consideration and staff evaluations. Also a fall fundraiser may be planned.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at approximately 12:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Carolyn Miller