

December 19, 2019

# EAST ALTON PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES

## CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the East Alton Public Library District Board of Trustees was called to order at 5:47 p.m. by Margaret Funke at the library. Those in attendance were C. Wiegand, J. Richie, L. Silkwood, S. Hierman and J. Bricker.  
Also present was the Director, Richard Chartrand.  
6 present, 1 absent. Quorum established.

## PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**Motion: Silkwood Second: Wiegand**

Approve the minutes of the November 21, 2019 board meeting.  
Roll call vote: Silkwood, aye; Wiegand, aye; Hierman, aye; Richie, aye; Bricker, aye; Funke, aye. 6 ayes, no nays, 1 absent.  
Motion carried.

## CORRESPONDENCE

None

## FINANCE

**Motion: Hierman Second: Wiegand**

Approve wages and expenditures for November 2019.  
Roll call vote: Hierman, aye; Wiegand, aye; Bricker, aye; Silkwood aye; Funke, aye; Richie, aye. 6 ayes, no nays, 1 absent.  
Motion carried.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT  
December 2019**

1. Volunteer hours for November were 11.5.
2. A Replacement Tax check in the amount of \$4,151.58 was disbursed on 12/10/2019.
3. The Levy conformation form was verified to the County Clerk's office.
4. The Riverbend Book Club selection for December is: Leslie Meier's, Egnog Murder. Christmas in Maine will never be the same, after the murder of the grumpy-local librarian.
5. The weeding and shifting of the Non-Fiction is at the 641's (cookbooks).
6. The holiday decorations have received many positive compliments.
7. The Community Christmas box is filled.
8. Immediately after the board meeting, we will commence festivities.

**YOUTH SERVICES REPORT**

**December 2019**

November story time themes were owls, pilgrims, Thanksgiving, and turkeys. Our specific crafts were colorful, owl Thanksgiving foam magnets, pilgrim picture magnet craft, and turkey coaster crafts. There has been a lot of activities during the month of November. In addition to Thanksgiving themes, we added some Christmas activities too.

Per the request of Charlotte, the children and I made and decorated Christmas ornaments for a Christmas display at the East Alton History Museum. The decorated ornaments were used to trim a special Christmas tree that would be in their school room display at the museum. The children loved to decorate them as well as decorate special snowflakes. It was a special time for all of us. I shared

pictures with Judy of the kids and families who helped in this community event.

Family movie night we watched the new “Toy Story 4” movie. This was a fun event, and parents and children alike enjoyed the continuing saga of Toy Story. We had a little Thanksgiving party. As a surprise to the kids I made them pilgrim and turkey bookmarks. I included them in the correspondence file for you to see.

SWAYS meeting was at Mississippi Valley Library in Collinsville. Round table discussion on homeschool programming. There was a lot of talk about our struggles to connect with homeschoolers and co-ops. There are several libraries that have successful running programs. There were ideas to share about STEM kits for kids that homeschool families could use.

I attended our annual performer’s showcase at the Fairview Heights Library. This was a smaller showcase, and the majority of the libraries voted to have the showcase in November instead of January. There were some new performers. I booked three performers for the summer reading program for 2020. Submitted by Maury Reynolds

**DISCUSSION**

**None**

**OLD BUSINESS**

**None**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**None**

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:09 pm.