

HARVARD CITY LIBRARY BOARD MINUTES February 15, 2018

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 6:59 PM by President Ann Almgren. Also present were John Pohlman, Trent Bruha, Linda Strueber, Ron Burlingame, Cindy Reese, Kelly Wood and Librarian Karen Sutera.

Meeting Minutes: The minutes from the January meeting were presented for approval and were approved on a Pohlman/Burlingame motion/carried.

Review and approval of bills: Bills for February were presented by Karen Sutera. They were approved for payment on a Pohlman/Burlingame motion/carried.

Citizen Comments: None

Committee Reports: Tech committee hasn't met. Friends of the Library have been meeting. They held a successful doll tea party on Sunday, February 11. 49 children, parents and grandparents attended, enjoying crafts, scavenger hunt, dress ups and tea. The event raised over \$500.00.

Librarian's Report: Karen Sutera presented Librarian's Report. See attached.

Old Business- 2018 Referendum- Postcards (6x9) asking for a yes vote will be mailed to city residents in mid-March. 1st Place Promotions has signs. Banners will be placed at Brown Bear, J's Lanes and 5 Corners. 8x11 sized posters are in some local businesses and Angelo's and Bravos are attaching information sheets to their delivery orders.

The Northern Illinois Cooperative will move to Prairie Cat. They will cease to exist by 2019. The other libraries believe NIC will not then be viable. At some point in time (2019) we will join Prairie cat as well. There are issues of size and maximum requests that could cause problems for us and our patrons when this change is made.

New Business –The Board finalized the 18/19 budget on a Strueber/Pohlman motion. It is going to be very tight. The Board may look at ideas for increasing revenue. No per capita money has been received from the state, which will have an impact. There was a proposal to continue computer classes. The year old grant time

has passed. There was discussion about amount to charge to pay the instructor.
Classes will be offered if there is continued interest.

Adjournment at 8:00 PM on a Strueber/Pohlman motion/carried.

Next Meeting: March 15, 2018

Future meetings:

April 19, 2018

May 17, 2018