**APLC/APLL MINUTESFROM FEB. 28, 2023**

(In attendance: APLC members Pauline Wiemann, Sheila Arneson, Galen Wills, Sue Morrisette, Tara Sabako, Jean Olson; Library Director Andy Kelton; APLL member Therese Ott)

The meeting was called to order by chair Galen Wills at 5:30 PM. The first order of business was election of officers for 2023. Motion by Sheila Arneson, second by Sue Morrisette, to re-elect our present slate of officers for the coming year [President Galen Wills, Vice-President Pauline Wiemann, Secretary-Treasurer Jean Olson]. Motion carried.

Motion by Sue Morrisette, second by Pauline Wiemann, to approve the minutes from the Nov. 15, 2022 meeting as presented. Motion Carried.

**DIRECTOR’S REPORT:**

1. Arn Kind was here to share his “Minnesota in World War I” presentation. Fifteen people attended. This program was paid for by grant money.
2. Andy and his staff have received training to get ready for the new library software, called Evergreen. This software will go live on March 2 and will lessen our fee to TdS. This is a nine-county system-wide update. The last one was done in February of 2015.
3. Three classes from St. Paul’s School visit the library for story time every other week.
4. January was the first full month as a city department. The county agreed to give the city its portion of the library funds quarterly. The first payment was made in January in the amount of $19,374.25.
5. Sibley County also closed out the Sibley County Library System fund. Under this fund there were six different budgets: one for each of the five libraries in the county and a separate non-departmental fund for the board itself, including reserves. Anything left over in the city budgets was given back plus 20% of the non-departmental fund. Arlington received $33,573.92.
6. The TdS Directors met on Jan. 12. They conducted the usual business, mostly talking about migration to the new software. TdS will be paying for Mango Languages. It will be available at all libraries, with the ability to learn 75 different languages.
7. There will be a puzzles and pie day on March 14.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Kurt Menk has said he will welcome any articles about the library that we submit to the *Enterprise.*

**NEW BUSINESS:**

Galen has been working on the legal forms for APLL to keep its 501(c) 3 status. Some of us will accompany Andy to the City Council meeting on March 6.

**OTHER/APLL/TREASURER’S REPORT:**

Andy made a suggestion for a fund raiser: that we have a lottery raffle. We would need a permit for gambling. Andy and his wife, along with their daughter, have been working on creating a tongue twister book. He also has a master gardener we can contact for possible programming. We will add APLL and APLC to our website.

The treasurer reported a checking balance as of Nov. 15 of $5,350.67; expenses paid $1,250.00; deposits made $526.25. Our balance as of Feb.21 was $4, 696.92.

There was no further business, and the meeting was adjourned. Our next meeting will be May 16, 2023, at 5:30.

Respectfully submitted,

Jean Olson, Secretary-Treasurer