Arkport Public Library Board Meeting July 13, 2023

Board meeting called to order by President Patty Amidon at 4 p.m. at the Library Pledge of Allegiance recited.

Members present: Cody Herman, Director; Carol Burns, Marge Wagner, Patty Amidon, Terry Pullman. Joanne Bisson, absent.

Motion by Terry and seconded by Marge to accept the May and June Secretary's report. All approved.

Old business: Tai Chi program is well attended.

Construction is completed and Bill is paid to C. Ogorzalek.

Evaluation of STLS grant "Come plant a seed and Learn with Me" Cody reports education sessions will be coordinated with Christian of Allegany County CCE as Steuben can no longer accommodate education sessions for the mini-grant. Growing season is a success.

New Business: Working on hiring a 3rd staff member to fill the shift gaps. Cody needs time to fill out reports and do paper work, keep up on needs and future programming. Announced a new bookkeeper has been employed at STLS and is learning the process. The lights will be kept on outside the building. Terry will watch the electric bills for any big increase. Air conditioner odor was a new unit smell that has dissipated. A request was made by a young woman who Terry knows to use the Library to study for her college classes. Discussion was held and Cody will work out details and report.

Motion made by Carol and seconded by Marge to accept the Treasurer's report. The report is attached.

Director's report is attached: Over 100 books were sold during Summerfest for \$550.00 This will be used for petty cash and Terry will put it in her report on a line item. The Herman Family donated and installed the garden beds and Chris Ogorzalek donated the compost. Thank you!!

UPS rule: as a business, they won't deliver to us unless some one receives it at the business. They can't drop packages next door, or to a PO Box. A suggestion was to drop mail at the school.

Cody would like to make a connection with the school summer program, director Lisa Gross, in the hope that we can increase youth patrons and events on a regular basis for the remainder of the summer.

An award of 75%, Maximum funding for the 2023 construction aid project for an accessible ramp and deck for the rear of the building and roof is approved \$22,230.00. Cody will ask Rex if he is interested in helping.

Next meeting August 10, 2023 at 6 pm Motion by Marge and seconded by Terry at 4:55