

Negaunee Public Library Board

October 15, 2019

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 - a. Invent @ NMU kiosk "inventor chat"
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9. Adjourn

Next meeting: November 19, 2019

Officers:

President: Al Sundine

Vice President: Jenny Jessee-Beck

Secretary: Laura Jandron

Negaunee Public Library Board

Minutes of Sept. 17, 2019.

Members present: J. Beck, L. Jandron, A. Sundine, Library Director J. Holman.

Absent: (exc.) J. Sandstrom

Meeting called to order by A. Sundine at 10:15am.

Secretary's Report: Minutes read and approved.

Public Comment: None

Financial Report: All bills paid as of Sept. 1, 2019

Communications: None

Librarian's Report: J. Holman will be attending a UP Regional Lib. Coop. Meeting this week. One session of interest is the law regarding Narcan in libraries. It will be interesting to know how the laws will impact our library. Dory, our intern was extremely helpful at the open houses at Lakeview and our Middle School. Connecting with the schools has brought a notable increase in library card registrations, actually running out of cards and needing to order more.

J. Holman gave tours to 6 middle school classes, all in one day. Packets were also handed out providing library information.

Unfinished Business: Summer reading report handed out. The library had an amazing summer, with many school visits, tours, and an unprecedented number of successful programs provided for our patrons.

Next week, Dory will be back for the BASIC program, part of the Google grant.

Dungeons and Dragons club will also meet.

The new budget was discussed, also the hiring of a sub. Librarian to cover vacation time when needed.

New Business: Discussed need for Sanborn fire maps renewal. Price increases as other libraries drop out because of the annual cost. Peter White Library does have them. Suggested we might ask the Friends of the Library if they would be interested in providing funds for one year.

Genealogy workshops will be held Oct. 9, a beginning workshop, and on Oct. 11th for an advanced workshop. These will be held in our library.

An evaluation of our library director was also completed by the board.

Meeting adjourned at 11:15am

Respectfully submitted,

Laura Jackson, Secretary

Negaunee Public Library

Financial Report

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All bills were paid through October 1, 2019.

Bills to be paid November 1, 2019:

Baker & Taylor	261.17
Book Farm	\$264.36 (children's nonfiction books, Friends purchase)
Charter/Spectrum	48.98 (monthly internet)
MicroMarketing	166.99 (audiobooks)
	25.50 (large print)

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Librarian's Report

I attended the Upper Peninsula Region of Library Cooperation annual meeting on September 18 and 19. The report is attached.


The one-on-one tech tutoring sessions have begun as of last week Tuesday. These sessions, aimed at job seekers who are uncomfortable with technology, run twice each week, on Tuesday evenings and Saturday mornings. People would ideally RSVP for a session, but drop-ins are also welcome. So far, no one has attended. An article ran in last Tuesday's *Mining Journal*, and I gave an interview to the 8th Day, a Saturday morning radio show on Sunny 101.9 FM. Hopefully this will garner more attention.

The Marquette County Genealogical Society held two workshops at the library last week. One was a beginning workshop and was modestly attended. The advanced workshop was more heavily attended; several of the attendees had gone to the beginning workshop that was offered here last year. These workshops are offered at no cost to the library or attendees.

The Junior Teen Advisory Group is holding its third annual Halloween party from 6-8 p.m. Wednesday, October 30. As the first half will be during normal business hours, it will simply feature pumpkin carving, food, the costume contest, and games. The haunted house will open after the library officially closes, as it utilizes the bookshelves and aisles.

My evaluation meeting with the city manager was originally scheduled for yesterday afternoon, but was pushed back until this afternoon. Your evaluations were handed in, and I thank you for your input.

Respectfully submitted,



Jessica Holman, director

Negaunee Public Library
Report: UPRLC Annual Meeting
Peter White Public Library, Marquette
September 18-19, 2019

This year's Upper Peninsula Region of Library Cooperation's annual meeting was at the Peter White Public Library in Marquette. As I live in Marquette and the weather was pleasant, I was able to walk to and from all parts of the meeting.

I attended both days of the meeting, as well as the reception Wednesday evening in the Seaborg Center at Northern Michigan University.

Wednesday sessions

Are You Stressed?

Joe Bouchard, Keweenaw Bay Ojibwa Community College Library

This was a low-key session on recognizing and managing stress. Bouchard worked for 25 years as the librarian in a maximum security correctional facility. While all librarians deal with stressors such as budgets, patron issues, and other matters, a prison librarian handles far more. Bouchard led an exercise on recognizing stress, rewarded participants with stress balls, and made suggestions on how to manage stress.

Keynote: Appreciative Inquiry

Michelle Bradley, Midwest Collaborative for Library Services

Appreciative inquiry is the study and exploration of what gives life to human systems when they function at their best. It is a problem-solving approach that focuses on the positive. Much of the time in this session was devoted to group exercises.

Reception

Hosted by Leslie Warren, Olson Library, Northern Michigan University

The reception was held in the Seaborg Center. Attendees were able to try out a VR gaming system and various makerspace gadgets. It was an informal affair with ample time to connect with other librarians from around the region.

Thursday sessions

UPRLC Business Meeting

I was nominated to serve on the UPRLC Board of Directors for FY 2019/2020, and was elected.

Grants, Programs, and Capacity Building: Michigan Humanities Opportunities for Your Library

Katie Wittenauer and Jen Rupp, Michigan Humanities

Michigan Humanities is the state affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities. Wittenauer and Rupp discussed several grant opportunities for libraries, as well as programs offered by the council. The Negaunee Public Library already participates in the Great Michigan Read; the book for 2019-2020 is *What the Eyes Don't See* by Dr. Mona Hanna-Attisha. The author will be touring the Upper Peninsula in 2020, and hopefully the library can be included as a stop. "Poetry Out Loud," which is a national poetry recitation competition for high

school students, was also discussed. I am disseminating information about the program to English teachers.

Harry Potter Night and Escape Room

Sandra Bayerl, Spies Public Library

The *Harry Potter* book series continues to be popular. This session facilitated a group discussion of celebrations libraries have held for the series, and Bayerl presented what she has done at the Spies Public Library for several events. How to hold an escape room, which is when a team solves puzzles to be let out of a room, at the library was also discussed. Members of the Negaunee Public Library's Junior Teen Advisory Group (J-TAG) have expressed interest in having an escape room event, so this information was very helpful.

Keynote: Etiquette for Library and Life

Lisa Waskin, Superior District Library; Megan Buck, Dickinson County Library

The Thursday keynote after lunch was a lighthearted look at workplace etiquette in libraries. Buck and Waskin shared true examples of breaches of etiquette, ranging from food in the break room to customer service.

Narcan

Elissa Kent, Great Lakes Recovery

The Michigan Legislature voted earlier this year to allow libraries to have Naloxone (brand name Narcan) on hand to administer in the event of an opioid overdose. Kent talked about what natural and synthetic opioids are, the statistics surrounding opioid use and overdose, and how Naloxone works to block the opioid receptors in the body. She discussed what training options there are if library staff are to be trained to administer the nasal spray version of Naloxone. Any governmental body may have Naloxone on hand, but staff must be trained. This was a very informative session, and clarified some misunderstandings on the subject.

A Behind-the-Scenes Peek at Publishing Children's Books

Boni Ashburn, Hancock School Public Library; Carrie Pearson

Ashburn and Pearson are both published children's authors; each has several books available. (Pearson's *A Cool Summer Tail* and *A Warm Winter Tail* are in the Negaunee Public Library collection.) They discussed their experiences with the publishing industry, noting that the Society of Children's Book Writers & Illustrators is invaluable, agents are not always necessary, and editors – who buy the books – are a very homogenous group. The two authors also shared how librarians influence the market and industry. Each gave the story of how one of their books was published as well.

Respectfully submitted,



Jessica Holman