**West Point Public Library Board Minutes**

**December 10, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.**

**Present:** Carl Johnston, Mary Link, Vicky Lundeby, Melinda Robey, Pat Krogmeier

**Absent:** Suzanne Menke, Bob Winnike

**Agenda Approval:** moved by Vicky, seconded by Melinda

**Minute Approval:** moved by Vicky, seconded by Melinda

**Bill Approval:** moved by Vicky, seconded by Melinda

**Reports:**

Dara reported Circulation and Stats were down slightly. To encourage reading, younger patrons will be able to participate in the Winter Reading Challenge during the months of January and February. The 2025 summer reading programs have all been scheduled. The library will host Mikalya Oz Magician, Sheltered Reality, Dealt Hand, Lee County Extension, Lee County Conservation, and Absolute Science’s Mega Foam Blaster and Bubble Stations. A few additional ideas were also discussed, including a potential weekly “Game Day” for kids in grades 3-6 and an adult puzzle contest. The fire alarm panel continues to work properly, therefore purchase of a new one will be put on hold. The Lee County Librarians County 28E Agreement has been reviewed and updated by a lawyer in Keokuk. Jason Holmes has generously donated $100.00 to the library. The West Point Library Foundation held a meeting on Nov. 18, 2024, to approve a funding request by the director for the following services: Hoopla, Junior Guild Subscription, Apollo Cataloging Software, Ancestory.com, and Bridges.

**New Business:**

A motion was made by Vicky and seconded by Melinda with all in favor to close the library at 4:00 on December 23, 2024 and completely close on December 24th, 25th, 31st, and January 1, 2025 for the holidays. The Board members unanimously approved a $1.00 an hour increase for both full time and permanent part time employees in addition to the city determined cost of living increase. The Board members also approved the Director’s position to be fully funded at 40 hours a week. The FY26 Budget was reviewed and accepted with a motion made by Mary and seconded by Melinda with all Board members in favor for Dara to present it to the City for approval. Melinda made a motion, Pat seconded with all in favor to reinvest the CD coming due January 8, 2025 into an eleven-month CD at a current interest rate at time of renewal.

A motion was made by Melinda, seconded by Pat with all in favor to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m. Respectfully submitted by Patricia Krogmeier.