

## ARROWHEAD LIBRARY SYSTEM BOARD MEETING

Arrowhead Library System Office, 210 Dodge Street, Janesville, WI

August 11, 2010

ALS President John Berg called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. Also present were Jane Thompson, Richard Bostwick, Doug Derby, Jose Carrillo, and ALS Director, Ruth Ann Montgomery.

The July minutes were approved on a motion by Richard Bostwick and seconded by Jane Thompson. The motion carried unanimously.

August bills were approved on a motion by John Berg and seconded by Jose Carrillo seconded. The motion carried.

No public presentation was made.

Beloit has hired a new director Kristi Howe, from Head of Youth Services at Plum Library in Lombard, Ill. She will start no later than September 15.

An upgrade will be made to the shared automation system on Sunday by Melody Clair. It is expected to go smoothly.

We had many volunteers for our fair booth this year. We had thousands of visitors and gave out temporary tattoos and hear many good comments about the libraries in our system. Many of the children at the fair were participating in the summer reading programs.

The 2011 budget was submitted the first week in August.

LSTA grants. Up through the end of July more than 1,300 people had been trained Ruth Ann has received approval to make a change in the 2010 JOBS grant to offer computer classes in Spanish at the Beloit Public Library. Rene Bue is helping to find a computer trainer who speaks Spanish. Similar classes will be included in next year's JOBS grant. Carol Kuntzleman has selected Overdrive books in subjects to help job seekers. There was \$500 placed in the JOBS grant for this and this completes the selection of these audio and e-books for Overdrive users.

Badgerlink will soon included Learning Express, with tests available for all Wisconsin residents to use from their home computers or at the library.

Ruth Ann met with representatives from the Literacy Connection to talk about new programs for math literacy that will be included in the 2011 JOBS grant application. Math literacy was seen by managers at the Job Center as one of the skills that many job seekers lack.

Doug Derby reported that Mango is available at Edgerton and Janesville. A report was in the Messenger about the data base.

Jose Carrillo moved to adjourn and Richard Bostwick seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

We will be at the Orfordville Public Library in September.

The meeting adjourned at 7 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ruth Ann Montgomery, Secretary