

Bowman Regional Public Library Board of Directors
AGENDA for August 21, 2023
4 PM

Bowman Regional Public Library Makerspace
18 Divide St. East
Bowman, ND 58623

1. Approve Order of the Agenda ACTION
2. Minutes of the July 17 Meeting ACTION
3. Director's Report
 - a. Silent Auction August 29
 - b. Greenspace
4. Unfinished Business
 - a. Advertising ACTION
5. Statistical Reports
 - a. July Usage
6. Next Regular meeting Monday, September 18th 4 PM in Library
7. Adjourn

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MINUTES for July 17, 2023
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Attendance: Kristy Miller, Jean Nudell, Edna Paulson, Benji Schaaf; Director, Sarah Snavelly. Absent: Lynn Brown

Meeting called to order at 4:05 PM.

Schaaf moved to approve the order of the agenda. Paulson seconded. MC.

Schaaf moved to approve the minutes as presented. Miller seconded. MC.

Snavelly presented the Director's Report including updates of current projects and the calendar for upcoming events.

Unfinished Business

1. Discussed advertising library services. Paulson contacted the owner of the available billboard on US-85. Board discussed rental options. No action taken.

New Business

1. Discussed the museum pass partnership with the Pioneer Trails Regional Museum with up to \$200 per year from the Library Programming budget.

Statistical Reports

1. Snavelly presented the usage reports for June 2023.

Next meeting, Monday, August 21st at 4:00PM in the Bowman Regional Public Library Makerspace.

Paulson moved to adjourn the meeting, Schaaf seconded. MC. Meeting ended at 4:52 PM.

Bowman Regional Public Library Director's Report - July 2023

Library staff and board presented the 2024 Budget request to the Bowman County Commission on Tuesday, July 18th at 9:40 AM at the Bowman County Courthouse.

Fudge Brownie was the winner with 24 votes in the M&M Tasting held July 17th in the Library. Mint was first runner up. Caramel Cold Brew came in third. Library visitors sampled up to ten M&M flavors. Over 60 library users cast their votes.

Story Time was held on Wednesday, July 19th at 10:30 AM (3 kids, 2 adults), Thursday, July 20th at 10:30 AM (3 adults, 5 kids), Wednesday, July 26th (3 adults, 6 kids), Thursday, July 27th (7 kids, 2 adults), Wednesday, August 2nd (3 adults, 7 kids), Thursday, August 3rd (12 kids, 7 adults), Wednesday, August 9th (7 kids, 3 adults), Thursday, August 10th (3 adults, 6 kids), Wednesday, August 16th (2 adults, 9 kids), Thursday, August 17th in the Library. Next Story Time will be Wednesday, August 23rd and Thursday, August 24th at 10:30 AM in the Library. Story time will take a break for the month of September, and start up again Wednesdays and Thursdays in October.

Brooks continues with the Take and Make craft kit. Each week has a new craft in a bag. Crafts are distributed in the curbside craft box outside the library every Tuesday by 1 PM. Brooks has been posting the instructions for each of the crafts to the Library's website. <https://www.bowmanlibrary.com/blog/>.

Snavelly led a Digi-Know: All About Transferring data class on Monday, July 24th at 2 PM.

Brooks led a Painting Rocks for Teens in the Library's Makerspace on Monday, July 24th and a Hot Glue Art for Teens on Monday, August 7th.

Kids STEAM was held on Wednesday, July 26th, August 2nd, and August 9th at 4PM. Kids played with LEGOS, Marble Run, or other STEAM activities.

Staff continues to work on inventory of the Adult Fiction collection.

Brooks led a Kitty Castles maker session in the Library's Makerspace on Monday, August 14th. This community all-ages event had makers creating havens for their cats using cardboard boxes and supplies.

The Library has made 6x6 inch canvases available to library users. Users are asked to paint the canvases and return them to the library by August 23rd. The show will be on exhibit throughout the month of September in the library.

Tuesday, August 15th was our Tech Petting Zoo and Technology question day. Staff answered technology questions and showed off library technology this day. This event will repeat in September.

The Brackel Family Band played in the library on Sunday, July 30th. A free will offering toward the Greenspace project raised over \$700.

Staff and board members helped with Jan Lininger's Rummage Sale on Saturday, July 29th. All proceeds from the sale went to the Library Foundation for the Greenspace project.

Staff planned a Messtival as the library activities during Rock the Block on Thursday, July 27th. We performed science experiments like slime, painting with food coloring and shaving cream, baking soda/vinegar shootout and the mentos/coke explosions. The Dinosaur from the Library of Things was used to wash kids off when they were done. The PTRMuseum partnered with this activity.

Upcoming:

Storytime each Wednesday and Thursday at the Library 10:30 AM through August

Library Silent Auction - Tuesday, August 29th

September is Library Card Sign-up month - activities TBA.

Plant Swap - Wednesday, September 13th 11-3 PM

Jigsaw Puzzle Competition - Sunday, October 15th

Foundation Meeting - Thursday, October 12th 1:30 PM

Holiday Decor Swap - Monday, November 13th through Thursday, November 16th.

Gift Wrapping Station - begins November 27th.

Wassail Party - Thursday, December 21st.