

DECEMBER AGENDA

1. Call to Order – **Monday, December 2, 2024**, at 5:00 p.m. at the Library.
2. Roll Call

_____ Day	_____ Gullberg	_____ Russell
_____ Escorcia	_____ Hinshaw	_____ Titus
	_____ Painter	
3. Public Comments
4. Minutes of November 4th meeting
5. Financial Report for November.
6. Property Tax Levy received 4th installment on 11-15-24
 - \$19,711.25
 - Interest Distribution - \$81.49
7. CD 36426 at Raritan State Bank renewal date is 12-07-24. The current rate is 4.95 with a yield of 5.07. Allaman has rates from area banks, to vote on.
8. Circulation for November.
9. IMRF –
 - Final Notice Contribution Rate for Year 2025 – 13.39%
10. Employees – Minimum wage increase
 - For those 18 years of age and older on: January 1, 2025 to \$15
 - For those under 18 years of age who have not worked more than 650 hours during a calendar year will be paid: \$13 per hour on and after January 1, 2025.
11. Paid Leave Law
12. ERATE
 - 11-20-24 – FCC Form 471 E-Rate Funding Year 2025 (07/01/25 – 06/30/26)
 - 11-20-24 – MTC Communications Contract renewal agreement Premium Internet-Business Broadband provides 300 Mbps download and 100 Mbps upload for a 12 month term (07/01/24 – 06/30/25)
13. Upcoming Programs/Events:
 - Gingerbread House Decorating Days: December 5th-7th.
 - Oquawka Lighted Christmas Parade will be 12-07-24.
 - DIY Book Ornament December 12th at 11:00am & 6:00pm.
 - Breakfast with Santa will be Saturday, Dec. 14th from 9:30am –11:30am

14. Open Meetings Act Designees and the Director needs to complete the training every year – Director Lambert will complete in January.
15. FOIA Officer and the Director needs to complete training every year – Director Lambert will complete in January.
16. Fancy Nancy Tea Party
 - Plans have been made to hold the tea party on Tuesday, April 15, 2025, at the Barn at Fairview Acres at 6:30pm.
17. Building Maintenance and Goals
18. Per Capita Grant Requirements – The Per Capita and Equalization grant application will be available online October 1, 2024 and will be due on January 30, 2025.
Standards Chapter Review — Library board and director to review “Serving Our Public 4.0: Standards for Illinois Public Libraries” in its entirety.
We will go through the checklist at the end of each chapter together.
 - December review Chapters 1-7
 - January review Chapters 8-13
19. Other –
 - 11-07-24 – The ROE #33 held a Family Reading Night with 36 people in attendance.
 - 11-13/14-24 – Escape Room held at WCMS, book was “Among the Hidden” Baker, and Tee ran the escape rooms. Lambert kept the library open.
 - 11-18-24 – Director Lambert met with Kevin Titus from UI Extension Office – American Connection Corps to discuss the digital needs in the community and how they can help.
 - 11-19-24 – Gina Raymond from the ROE #33 came to do Storytime and read “Llama Llama Gives Thanks” by Anna Dewdney, and every family left with a copy of the book.
 - 11-18-24 – 11-22-24 – RAILS Delivery Count
 - 11-21-24 – We held an evening Storytime at 5:30pm for Family Reading Night, sponsored by the Illinois State Library. Director Lambert did Storytime, we had snacks, and there were 8 in attendance.
 - 11-22-24 – Stronghurst Christmas Walk – Director Lambert, Tee, Allaman, and Painter set up a table in the Senior Center, we popped popcorn, and had a spin to win prize wheel.
 - 11-23-24 – Josh from Nicor Gas was doing routine inspections and fixed a line that was going bad.

Next meeting is January 6, 2025 at 5:00 p.m.