Tuesday, April 23, 2024: Open Session

Trustees in Attendance: Echo Alexzander, Janis Hagen, and Stephanie Sekscinski.

Trustee(s) Absent: Diana Brazeale and Allyson Tuckness.

Christian County Library’s Board of Trustees met for a regular monthly session on Tuesday, April 23, 2024 in the Large Meeting Room of the Nixa Community Branch. 44 members of the community were present.

Vice President Stephanie Sekscinski presided and voted as needed to reach a majority.

Start Time: 6:00 p.m.

Consent Agenda
Janis Hagen moved to approve all items in the consent agenda. Echo Alexzander seconded. All Trustees present were in favor. The motion passed. Roll Call: Trustee Alexzander: Aye, and Trustee Hagen: Aye.

Administrative Highlights
Racing to Read
Director of Youth Services Dana Roberts introduced Trustees to the philosophy and application of the library’s Racing to Read early literacy initiatives.

Old Business
Non-Resident Patron Fee
After reviewing various metrics of the total property taxes contributed to the library annually per household by residents, Trustees agreed to gradually raise the $20 annual non-resident patron fee in phases to bring it closer to the estimated $80 per year paid by most county property owners.

Janis Hagen moved to increase the non-resident patron fee to $40 per year beginning in 2025. Echo Alexzander seconded. All Trustees present were in favor. The motion passed. Roll Call: Trustee Alexzander: Aye, and Trustee Hagen: Aye.

New Business
Employee Health Insurance Plan Renewal
Echo Alexzander moved to adopt Scenario 2 as presented. Janis Hagen seconded. All Trustees present were in favor. The motion passed. Roll Call: Trustee Alexzander: Aye, and Trustee Hagen: Aye.

Public Comments
This month speakers included: Kevin Bright, Abigail Hope, Beth Hultz, Aileena Keen, Reggie Micham, David Rice, and Randy Sterner.

Adjournment
The meeting was adjourned by the presiding Chair at 6:55 p.m.