

**Bowman Regional Public Library Board of Directors
AGENDA for September 18, 2024
4 PM**

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

1. Approve Order of the Agenda ACTION
2. Minutes of the August 19 Meeting ACTION
3. Director's Report
 - a. Silent Auction August 27
 - b. Greenspace
 - c. Grants
4. Old Business
 - a.
5. New Business
 - a. Ribbon Cutting ACTION
6. Statistical Reports
 - a. September Usage
 - b. Financial Report
7. Next Regular meeting Monday, October 21st 4 PM in Library
8. Adjourn

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MINUTES for August 19, 2024
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Attendance: Jean Nudell, Edna Paulson, Benji Schaaf; Director, Sarah Snavelly.
Absent: Lynn Brown, Kristy Miller

Meeting called to order at 4:00 PM.

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

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

Snavelly presented the Director's Report including updates of current projects including the Green Space and the calendar for upcoming events including the 2024 Silent Auction fundraiser. Discussed how to recognize Green Space donors including levels of support and digital options. No action taken.

Statistical Reports

1. Snavelly presented the usage reports from July 2024.
2. Snavelly presented the Financial Report prepared by Benz Noreen Financial.

Next meeting, Monday, September 16th at 4:00PM in the Bowman Regional Public Library Makerspace.

Schaaf moved to adjourn the meeting, Paulson seconded. MC. Meeting ended at 5:10 PM.

Bowman Regional Public Library Director's Report - August 2024

Brooks hosted Story Time for preschool children and their caregivers each Wednesday and Thursday at 10:30 AM. Story Time takes a break through the month of September.

Brooks continues to post a historical photo each Friday. Images are posted to Facebook and Instagram.

On Tuesday, August 20th, the library held a Snack Adventure. We served snacks from the Africa. 12 adults, 1 teen and 4 kids attended.

The 2024 Silent Auction was held on Tuesday, August 27th. \$8,057 Bids + \$1,250 Additional donations = \$9,307 Thank you to all who volunteered, donated items and bid to support the Library's Green Space project.

The BYOB (Bring Your Own Book) Book Club met on Wednesday, September 4th at noon in the Library. Four adults attended. This Library Book Club meets every first Wednesday of each month. Attendees are encouraged to discuss the books they are reading and the books they intent to read. All are welcome.

Brooks created a Sliding Into September Autume themed Scavenger Hunt in the library. Children visiting the library have to seek and find the images found around the library to earn a prize.

September is Library Card Sign Up month. The staff has organized a series of Mocktails to be served each Tuesday at 4 PM throughout September. Dacotah Clayworks has sponsored the hor d'oeuvres.

The staff organized a STEM event using Snap Circuit STEM toys. The library was awarded a grant from Slope Electric Operation Roundup for \$535 for Snap Circuits.

Razor Edge Construction continues to work on the Greenspace in the Library Backyard.

Braaten has been working with Shawn Mauer each Tuesday and Thursday in the Library. Shawn is volunteering for one hour each of the days.

Snavely was the guest on KPOK's Coffee Talk on Monday, September 9th.

Caregiver Support group has been meeting in the Library on Thursdays in September. Each session lasts from 1:30 to 3 PM. This series is presented by the Alzheimier's Association and North Dakota Health & Human Services.

All events are published on the web calendar. www.bowmanlibrary.com/events

There are currently 75 subscribers to the Library's email newsletter. Snavelly sent the monthly email newsletter on Wednesday, September 4th with 58% open rate.

Thank you to Bowman Parks and Rec for including Library events in their email blasts!

Snavelly submitted a grant to the Bowman Slope Community Foundation on behalf of the BRP Foundation to help defray the cost of Dolly Parton's Imagination Library. Amount requested \$2,050.

Snavelly submitted a grant to the Bowman Slope Community Foundation for the Library to help purchase two new rugs for the Children's section. Amount requested \$910.

The Library's Facebook page has 1,170 Followers and Instagram has 275 followers.

Upcoming Events

September - September is Library card sign-up month

Caregiver Support - Each Thursday in September 1:30 - 3 PM

Sipping & Signing - Mocktails - Tuesdays in September 3-5 PM

Plant Swap - Wednesday, September 25th

Jigsaw Puzzle Competition - Sunday, September 29th

October

Story Time - each Wednesday & Thursday 10:30 AM

Spooky Craft - Ghost portraits Tuesday, October 1st 2-5 PM All-Ages

BYOB Book Club - Wednesday, October 2nd Noon - 1 PM

STEAM: Snap Circuits - Sunday, October 6th 2-5 PM

Apple Tasting & Voting for your Favorites - Tuesday, October 8th 2-5 PM

BPLF Foundation meeting - Thursday, October 10th

Trick & Tater (and vote for your Favorites) - Tuesday, October 15th 2-5 PM

Bowman Regional Silent Book Club - Wednesday, October 16th 2 PM

STEAM: Frankentoys - Sunday, October 20th 2-5 PM
Library Board meeting - Monday, October 21st 4 PM

STEAM: Frankentoys - Tuesday, October 22nd 2-5 PM

Jigsaw Puzzle Competition - Sunday, October 27th 2 PM

Trick or Treat on Main - Thursday, October 31st

November - Dinovember!

BYOB Book Club - Wednesday, November 6th Noon - 1PM

Quilter's Book Club - Wednesday, November 6th - 5 PM

DIY Clay Ornaments - Sunday, November 10th with Dacotah Clayworks (Free Will Offering)

Veteran's Day - Monday, November 11th - Library Closed

Holiday Decor Swap - Tuesday, November 12 - Wednesday, November 20th or until we run out.

North Dakota Junior Duck Stamp Exhibit - November - December.

Green Space Ribbon Cutting ????