

Librarian's Report
For January 4, 2021 Meeting

1. Per Capita Requirements

- a. Review checklist at end of chapters 1-6.

2. Report on Personal Protection Equipment (PPE) Grant

The grant in the amount of \$500 was used to purchase a standalone, touchless sanitizing gel dispenser, a countertop touchless sanitizing gel dispenser and sanitizing gel refills.

3. Report on Back to Books Grant

The grant in the amount of \$4900 is being used to purchase Wonderbooks (a print book with a ready-to-play audiobook inside), Playaways (a pre-loaded audiobook), and Launchpads (a preloaded tablet that doesn't require WIFI). These items are geared to children and young adults aged pre-school through 8th grade.

4. Cards for Kids Act

This “Amends the Illinois Local Library Act and the Public Library District Act of 1991. It provides that nonresident fees for the privilege and use of a library shall not be charged to a nonresident in an unincorporated area in Illinois who is a student and meets the poverty income guidelines.”

This legislation has passed and is effective immediately.

5. E-Resources for Non-Residents

This idea came about during the beginning of the pandemic in response to “what can public libraries do to assist patrons.” Libraries may

entertain, but are not required, to implement free non-resident cards for *e-resources* only. If our library is going to allow this, it will require a board vote.

Respectfully submitted by Susan Colbert on 1/4/21