Librarian's Report

For May 1, 2023 Meeting

1. Report submitted

The Project Next Generation 3rd quarter report was submitted on April 10.

2. Live & Learn Mini-Construction grant review update

The grant review on April 6 went very well. Our library was one of seven libraries applying for mini grants. A 6-person review committee rated the grants from 1 to 10 and then voted to either fund or not fund. Our library's grant was rated 9.5 and the vote was unanimous to fund. Two other libraries received a score of 9.5 which was the highest score awarded. I feel hopeful that we will be awarded a grant.

3. IPLAR update

I have been working regularly on the Illinois Public Library Annual Report. I'm about 2/3 through this 20-page report. It is due June 1 and requires the signatures of the board president and the secretary.

4. Job Applicants

I interviewed Martha (Mollie) Mayer on April 20 & Abbey Wallace on April 28 for the staff vacancy positions.

5. Upcoming Events

May 1: Board of Trustees Meeting 6:00 pm

May 4: Popcorn Thursday

May 6: PNG Cooking Class 1-3:30

May 8: PNG Kitchen Safety 4:30 pm

May 11: Popcorn Thursday

May 12: Story Time 11:00 am

May 18: Popcorn Thursday

May 20: PNG Cooking Class 1-3:30 pm

May 22: Kids Club Zone 4:30

May 25: Popcorn Thursday

May 29: Library Closed – Memorial Day

Respectfully submitted by Susan Colbert on May 1, 2023