

Wasco County Library Service District
Board meeting
June 21, 2022
Location: The Dalles, and via Zoom

Board members attending: Mary Beechler, Corliss Marsh, Tina Coleman, Vicki Thomas

Staff members attending: Jeff Wavrunek, Valerie Stephenson, Sara Tierney (via Zoom) Rita Squires

Meeting was called to order at: 4:36 pm by Corliss Marsh

Minutes: Mary Beechler moved to accept the minutes as submitted, seconded by Tina Coleman; vote was unanimous, the minutes were accepted.

Visitors and interested parties: none

Director's reports:

Maupin: The North Wasco County Public Health visits on a monthly basis to assist those that need help filling out forms, etc. The person doing this is interested in doing a bilingual story-time once a month.

Maupin has started a Read What You Want book club. Everyone will talk about what they have read. The recent grade school art display was popular.

The Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion programs are almost finished. There were drummers and dancers from Warm Springs in the park. The second part will be Delson Suppah, on Thursday, June 23rd at 4:00. He will give an oral presentation as part of the *Chaff in the wind* book, on the history and traditions of his tribe in the area.

Maupin Daze was May 21st and we had 60 kids participate in making tote bags.

Summer Reading has started, this Thursday we have the Reptile Man. There will be crafts every week. Summer Reading includes adults this year and bikes donated by the Masons. We have partnered with the school librarian.

Working on a geocache. There will be a takeaway when they find it. There were six new patrons registered in May. Next week will focus on STEM. We have movies every Friday in the library.

Dufur: (report submitted via email) Started a teen book club. Summer Reading Program has started with performers, fun, and crafts. The second annual Teen Take Over starts tonight. The first night has not been well publicized, but the rest will be.

The Dalles: Applied for and received a LSTA grant to hire a teen intern. The young man hired is doing well. He is working on a STEM project this summer.

Last Tuesday we had a very successful Summer Reading kick-off, which Jeannie set-up. Activities were setup throughout the library and outside. About 1,300 people attended. It was a learning experience. Will change a few things next year, but it was a very popular event.

The new janitorial person started. Programming is going well. Abbey had a Family Lego Night last week that had 97 people participate. There are new tables and chairs in the meeting room. They are easy to use and the chairs stack nicely.

Received an email highlighting a podcast about a library that checked out outdoor equipment. We currently have two sets of disc-golf sets people can check out. There was a brief discussion about the pros and cons of having a library of things, and especially outdoor items.

Old Business: Ordering the new library outreach van is going to be a process. The smoothest way is for the City to join Omnia Partners buying cooperative. The Board wants there to be a solar charging system included on the new van.

Jeff and Corliss met with the new City Manager, Matthew Klebes. He had not yet read the existing Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA), but will do so, and then they can start discussing.

When the city and library start working on the FY23/24 budget, the Library Board will want to examine the anticipated administrative fee. Originally there was no fee, but the percentage now paid has been increasing fast. It seems the library is being charged for services and personnel not used.

New business: The next meeting will be short to accommodate a Board training session.

Financial review: The Library Board would like to see a higher percentage spent out by the end of fiscal years.

Other business: None

Next meeting: On July 19th, at 3:30. Because of the training session, this meeting will be held at The Dalles Library. No meeting in August. The September meeting will be at Dufur.

Meeting adjourned at: 5:40 p.m.

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