



CITY OF WHITEWRIGHT
Public Library Quarterly Meeting
April 12, 2022
MINUTES

- I) **Call meeting to Order and Establish a Quorum**
Meeting called to order by Chair Rod Earnheart at 5:02 p.m.

Members Present: Rod Earnheart, Mike Holloway, Jeanne Tykoski, Trinity Huffman, Stefan Kells, Traci Barr, and Linda Vickers.

Others Present: Chris Ely

II) **Action Items**

1. **Approval of Minutes of January 11, 2022**

Motion made by Jeanne Tykoski to approve minutes, seconded by Stefan Kells, motion carried.

III) **Information Reports**

1. **Advisory Board and Director Concerns**

Chris Ely announced this year's Summer Reading Theme is "Oceans of Possibilities" and staff is in the process of building a "coral reef".

2. **Financial and Statistical Reports**

Vending revenue is on track for the year, averaging about \$100/month income. Collection development is also on budget.

Traci Barr asked about any subscriptions the library has, such as for newspapers. Chris Ely explained the library just recently started subscribing to *The Whitewright Sun* instead of picking it up on the newsstand. It's not reflected in our current budget yet. All other subscriptions are for electronic services, such as Apollo and our digital library, which are billed near the end of our fiscal year.

Stefan Kells asked if this included a digital version of *The Sun*. Our online archive has up though 2020 as new editions are automatically added. The print copies that are being scanned are not complete, but is still ongoing.

Ely reported an increase in library visit, checkouts, and program attendance. This is almost back to pre-COVID numbers.

3. **Director's Report**

a. **Library's 55th Anniversary**

The library opened on April 9, 1967. A proclamation was read at the April 5, 2022 council meeting. An article was published in *The Whitewright Sun* and social media posts were made.

b. **TSLAC annual report**

Report has been submitted for approval. No major issues were found prior to submission.

c. Update: Fine free

Info about the change has been in the local paper, on social media and our website, and posted in the library. No noticeable rush of returns, but many positive comments. Also of note, the Sherman Public Library went fine free in March.

d. Funding: Grayson County

We've received \$2,280 in county funding.

e. Grants: TSLAC Community Advancement Packages (CAP)

We have applied for a \$2,000 grant. Half of the funding would pay for 10 Library of Things kits, which would include science, craft, and music items, as well as a Boredom Buster cart. The cart will include art supplies, small games, etc. and will remain the community room. The rest of the funding would be used to purchase graphic novels/manga.

f. Grants: Tocker Foundation update

Despite several delays due to supply chain issues, we have finally received all items from last year's Tocker grant.

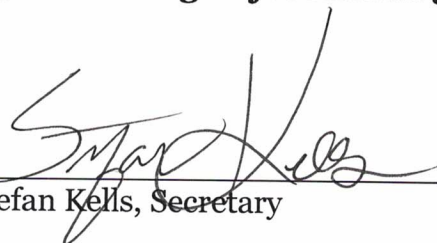
The final items included 2 staff computers, 2 public computers, and a WiFi hotspot that is now in our Library of Things. We have noticed an issue with one of the public computers, and have requested service that's under warranty.


g. Donations: Acoustic guitar, Jigsaw puzzles

Roger Howe donated an acoustic guitar in Jeanie Coleman's memory. We're in the process of making a space to store it between checkouts, since it's too large to lay on a shelf.

Sheri Kent donated several jigsaw puzzles to the library's collection. We've added them to our Library of Things, and have received another donation of puzzles that we're working on.

IV) Meeting Adjourned at 5:40 p.m.


Stefan Kells, Secretary


Date