

LIBRARY BOARD MINUTES AUGUST 8, 2023

Members Present: William Mitchel, Ruth Cook, Suzan Banks, Susan Nelson, Shawn Davis, Marilyn Amerson and director Rebecca Ventola

July Minutes were approved.

Again there is a request from board members to have expenses associated with the Westlake library listed separately on the Budget Report. Director stated that she would ask Brian if that can be done.

Final report approved.

No Old Business

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The summer learning special programming has ended but participants can still redeem their prizes through August.

New programs coming up. 1.-Teens have back to school Podcast- Think Global, Cook Local will be offered at both libraries- 2. Health survey has been sent to patrons online to learn the health needs of the future—3. The library will be represented at the Aging in Your Community at the Essig center in September. 4. Bookmobile team reports 5 backyard party events, one movie on the move event and a pilot visit with bookmobile to Ferrum Jam, and the bookmobile will attend the Ag Fair.

New procedures were set up for reporting statistics and program details

NEW BUSINESS:

-Collection Development Policy

The director presented the new and improved Collection Development Policy. Each board member was given a copy. A question was asked if the Board of Supervisors was aware of this Policy. The director has let Steve Sandy know. Questions were asked about how to tell if a person was really a Franklin County resident. The director said that now it would be based on their library card. The discussion included the idea that tax records could be checked.

After a discussion, a motion to accept the policy was made by Marilyn and seconded by Suzan. The new policy was approved.

Virtual Conference-

The board was registered for this conference but did not understand what it was about. Members can still listen to the conference on line.

A display of banded books from the past will be in the library.

The budget for expenditure of state aid funds submitted to the state library for 2024 will be turned in on August 15. A new 5 year plan is also due then but director is allowed a one year extension by updating last year and next year's plan while the 5 year plan will be worked on by staff.

Tommy Cundiff, Union Hall, supervisor, has asked for a library presence in Southlake. The outcome so far is that if the capital improvement matches the library's five year plan the director will then ask to include this item in the Capital Improvement proposal. Items then matching the county's five year plan will be given higher priority by the county.

The meeting was adjourned by the chairman.

Respectively submitted by Ruth Cook, secretary