

Lawton Public Library Board Meeting

Wednesday October 12, 2022

The Lawton Public Library Board met at 4:00 pm in Meeting Room 2 at the Lawton Public Library.

Notice of the meeting and agenda was posted in accordance with Oklahoma law.

The meeting was called to order at 4:01 pm by Patty Neuwirth, Chair.

Roll Call: Patty Neuwirth, Chair; Sue Kremmer, Vice Chair; Frantzie Couch, Member; Ellouise Love, Member; Fermin Viruet, Member; Jenny Breeden, Friends Representative; Kristin Herr, Library Director; Kathy Hines, Deputy Library Director (Absent); Megan Stockton, Administrative Assistant; Randy Warren, City Council Liaison (Absent); Dwayne Burk, Deputy City Manager (Absent)

A motion was made to approve the Library Board minutes for the September 7, 2022 meeting was presented. (Couch/Kremmer)

Customer Comments were presented to the Board. One person requested that there be more charging stations in the Library.

The Financial Report was given. Kristin announced that Comanche County gave the Library \$50,000.00 this year for book money. Kristin stated that the Library will need to do a budget amendment in order to receive the full amount.

The Library Director's Report was given. Kristin described the various personnel changes occurring at the library which include promotions and resignations. Kristin gave the Board a copy of her email to staff about her expectations at the front desk and the change in workflow. Kristin detailed the changes to the front of the Branch Library with a new ramp and full ADA accessibility adherence.

The Friends Report was given. Jenny stated that the next Friends meeting would take place later this month with Ray Walker speaking about insurance. Frantzie announced that the Oklahoma Humanities grant was accepted for Chautauqua. The Chamber of Commerce also gave a generous donation for Chautauqua. Frantzie stated that the link for the previous Chautauqua performances should be live soon.

There was nothing to report for SWOGS/Family History.

There was nothing to report for City Council Agenda Items.

Unfinished Business:

- The ceiling study was presented to the Board, but Kristin stated that there are still some concerns with it. She reported that another, more detailed study may be presented at the next Board meeting.
- Kristin described some of the various grants the Library has received lately.

- Kristin explained the Literacy Technology grant that the Friends has received and the smartboard that was purchased with the funds.
- Kristin reported that she has submitted the Heritage Preservation grant for the Talking Trails.
- Kristin announced that the Priddy Foundation was interested in helping supply the Library with more technology.

New Business:

- Kristin reported to the Board that the telehealth booth has been installed, but is not yet open to the public.
 - She stated that she would bring a policy about the booth for the Board to look over at the next meeting.

Comments from the Floor:

- Kristin presented the Lawton Adult Literacy Center brochures to the Board.
- Kristin presented various logo designs to celebrate the Library's 50th anniversary next year.
- Kristin briefly spoke about the upcoming Books and Brew festival.
- Patty reminded everyone that there was a Philharmonic performance coming up soon.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:49 pm. /Megan Stockton, Administrative Assistant III