

Lawton Public Library Board

Wednesday November 6, 2024

The Lawton Public Library Board met at 4:00 pm in the Meeting Rooms 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 4:00 pm by Patricia Neuwirth, Chair.

Roll Call: Patricia Neuwirth, Chair; Sue Kremmer, Vice Chair; Frantzie Couch, Member; Fermin Viruet, Member; Michael Wilson, Member; Kristin Herr, Library Director; Tina King, Deputy Library Director; Megan Stockton, Administrative Assistant; Sherene L. Williams, City Council Liaison

A motion was made to approve the Library Board minutes for October 2, 2024 as presented. (Couch/Viruet)

There were no customer comments or correspondence.

Reports:

- The financial report was given. Both the general and grant account numbers were presented. Kristin reported that a large chunk of money was paid out for a recently deceased member of staff.
- The Director's Report was given. Kristin stated Michael FitzPatrick, Library Customer Service Manager is leaving for a new job. Kristin reported that both his position and Amber Follett's, former Family and Local History Librarian, position have been posted. Kristin stated that a part time position had been offered. Kristin implored the Board to visit the back of the Library to see the new classrooms. Kristin informed the Board that Clifford Takawana, Library Associate, had recently received an Employee Spotlight award.
- The Friends of the Library Report was given. Fermin reported that the recent Friends meeting took place on October 20th with a speaker speaking about cybersecurity. Fermin informed the Board that the Friends had voted to accept SWOGS' donation.
- The Family History/SWOGS report was given. Kristin informed the Board that Amber Follett, Family and Local History Librarian had passed away in October. Kristin also stated that SWOGS had decided to dissolve and donate their assets to the Friends.
- The City Council Report was given. Sherene informed the Board of the various, upcoming Veterans' Day events. This includes a Veteran's Walk beginning on November 8th at the Veterans' Center, a celebration and breakfast at City Hall on November 11th, and an event at the Patriot's Pavilion on November 11th. Sherene stated that the next Council meeting will take place on November 12th. Kristin brought up the recent City Council presentation about low barrier shelters.

- The Grant Report was given. Handouts explaining the state of the various Library grants were distributed. Kristin reported that the Library had applied for another Oklahoma Historical Society grant, received another Health Literacy grant, and received another Citizenship grant.

Business:

- Kristin stated that the Library ceiling project has a project number and needs a contract to have a design created.
- The 2025 meeting scheduled was approved unanimously. (Viruet/Couch)

There were no comments from the floor.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:24 pm. /Megan Stockton, Administrative Assistant III