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Library Board Meeting

January 13, 2010

The Lawton Public Library Board met at 4:00 p.m. at the Lawton Public Library. Notice of the meeting and agenda were posted in accordance with Oklahoma Law.

ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jim Burpo, Sally Cote, Lynn McIntosh,
Pamela Scoggins Bonnell-Mihalis

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Carol Sinnreich

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT:

David Snider, Library Director;
Sharon Thompson, Recording Secretary;
Patty Neuwirth, Friends

EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS ABSENT:

Marge Williams, SWOGS

GUESTS:

None

CALL TO ORDER:

Jim called the meeting to order and asked for approval or corrections to the minutes. Pamela said that a correction needed to be made on the cost of the motorized chair that she quoted to the board. She said the correct figure should be \$7,400 and not \$6,500. Minutes were approved with this correction.

CORRESPONDENCE:

David received a letter from the American Library Association asking if we would be interested in joining the Association for Library Trustees, Advocates, Friends & Foundations (ALTAFF). We would receive a monthly newsletter called "The Voice". After discussion, the Board decided that it would not benefit the Library Board, but thought that the Friends of the Library might want to join the foundation. Patty will discuss this with the Friends at their January meeting.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT:

David Snider, Library Director, reported on the following:

State Aid - David said that State Aid funding is figured on the number of people in our service area. By the formula we are supposed to receive \$64,363, but ODL was mandated to withhold 10% so we will be receiving \$57,927. ODL plans to distribute

the difference of the two amounts in June with a “spend date of August 2010. That amount should be \$6,436.

Library Computers - David reminded the Board that we still have not received our 8 computers that is budgeted this year. He called the IT Department and spoke with David Wood who said that they are swamped, but assured David that we will receive our 8 computers before the end of the fiscal year. No definite date was given as to when we might expect the computers.

New Circulation System - When David figures this year’s budget, he is checking into proposing using a lease/purchase approach for a new Circulation System. He hopes that this approach will work since we could make monthly payments instead of depending on the city for a large amount of money.

Statistics - David handed out the statistics for the month of December. He reported that Lunch and Learn and Golden Girls & Guys did not meet in December.

Current Events –

- We had 12 in attendance for the Let’s Talk About It Program.
- We had 18 at the 1st session of Scrabble and 19 at the 2nd session of Scrabble.

Patty suggested that David could prepare a yearly total of the statistics and send it to everyone including the County. David still needs to write a letter to the County along with sending the monthly statistics to them. Pamela suggested having Jim also sign the letter to the County that David prepares. The Board agreed and David said that he would prepare a letter to the County and also the yearly statistics.

REPORT OF COMMITTEES:

Friends of the Library - Patty asked David for a calendar of events for the upcoming programs. David did not have any to hand out at this time. Patty announced a fundraiser will be held at the Burger King on Cache Road on Feb. 8 from 5-8 p.m. She said that 20% of all sales will go toward programs for the library.

The Kick Off for the Big Read is February 14 from 2-4p.m at the Worley Center. Upcoming events planned are a mock trial, a play, and book discussions.

Patty said that she and David met with the City Manager about having the Book Sale at the new City Hall. Patty said that the space they are thinking about is still under renovation and has no lighting at this time. She said that if it is not ready in time they would have to look for another alternative. Sally said that Goody’s is still vacant in the Sheridan Square Mall. Sally said that she would like to be included in the decision of a location for the Book Sale. Patty said that she would be included.

Sally reported that they have boxed 543 boxes of books for the next book sale.

SWOGS – David said that Marge will not be able to attend the next 2-3 Board meetings due to her volunteering with the tax help.

Meeting Adjourned.