Dade County Library

BOT Meeting April 12, 2022 Minutes

The Dade County Library Board of Trustees meeting was called to order at 3:30 by BOT President Connie Roseman. In attendance were Director LaNita Hackney and BOT members: Connie Roseman, Kathy Blackwell, Theresa Johnson, and Sherry Gillespie. BOT Angie Myers was absent.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved as submitted. The Treasure’s Report was given by Treasurer Sherry Gillespie with the beginning balance of $183,019.45. Deposits totaled 2,520.97. March expenses were $6,251.32, leaving an ending balance of $179,289.10. The report was accepted as presented.

Director Hackney reported only one application was received for substitute librarian: Brenda Isenbletter. Sherry moved to hire Brenda as the substitute. A second was made by Kathie and passed with a vote of 4-0. Training will be coordinated between director and Brenda.

New items discussed were the acceptance by BOT Roseman for another term. Annual Financial and Library reports were sent to state and county officials with the BOT receiving them today. The March Reading Challenge winners were announced: Debi Shouse, Kaye Godfrey, and Shari Benbrook. BOT Sherry Gillespie was notified that paperwork to add her to checking was in order and that she can now sign checks. Displaying local art was discussed. More to come later.

April saw some new participants at Story Hour for ages 2-6. Five first timers were in attendance to enjoy books on Spring and bunnies. Bubbles will be the topic for May’s Story Hour on Monday, May 2 at 10:00 am.

DCL held an egg decorating contest for 2–10-year-olds. Winners were MacKenzie Limpus and Evelyn Chaulklin. Eggs are on display until after Easter. The ceiling in the Check-out Room was discussed. Jeff Tranthum has been contacted to submit a bid. Director will also check with Darrin or Justin on power washing the library. Entrance remodel has been set aside for the time being. Director Hackney plans to patch up the concrete slabs.

Director Hackney will advertise in May for a Children’s Librarian position. Requirements are enthusiasm, organization, love of children and books, grant writing experience and creativity. DCL is in hopes of filling the position before Summer Reading to train new librarian in what the event and position entails.

Discussion about two visiting authors was held. The director is coordinating a partnership with the Senior Center and possibility a creative writing class or Mr. Land at the school. During the City-wide Garage Sale DCL will hold a book sale. Plans are unsure but June is looking good with Chamber of Commerce.

BOT members expressed that they would like to present Patricia Kreissler with a commemorative clock at next meeting. The director will invite Patricia. BOT jackets were discussed, and colors and sizes were given. The director will get an order in first of following week.

BOT Theresa Johnson moved to pay monthly bills with a second from BOT Sherry Gillespie. Motion passed. The next BOT meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 10, 2022 at 3:30 pm. A motion to adjourn was made by Sherry Gillespie and seconded by Kathie Blackwell. Motion carried and the meeting was adjourned at 4:25 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,