

Alpine Public Library, Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Thursday, December 10, 2015
6:00 p.m.
AEP Foundation Multipurpose Room

Mission: The Alpine Public Library connects our diverse and geographically remote communities with information resources to encourage literacy and promote lifelong learning.

Vision: The Alpine Public Library envisions a future in which individuals and families are engaged, lifelong learners.

Members Present: Linda Bryant, Don Wetterauer, Luc Novovitch, Jon Roe, Margaret Matthews, Jim Glendinning, Chuck Newcomer, Kathy Donnell, Kathy Bork, and Pat McCall. Filemon Zamora, Excused absence. Julian Gonzales, Unexcused absence

- I. Meeting was called to order by Linda Bryant, President, at 6:00 p.m.
- II. Introduction of Guests and announcements: Mr. Pete Peterson from West Texas Bank was introduced. Mr. Peterson reported on his recommendation to have the Library start an Endowment Fund. He is a trustee for the Posey trust which gives the Library money from time to time. We got \$20,000 from the Posey Trust. Linda introduced Amy Struthers as a potential board member.
- III. Approval of Consent Agenda
 - a. Motion, J. Roe, second, M. Matthews, to approve changes to the agenda. Motion passed. Don reported that an anonymous donor will match up to \$10,000 if we can raise it by the end of December. We will send out a notice trying to raise the funds. The donor was trying to prevent us from closing on Monday, but no strings attached.
Motion, J. Roe, second, K. Bork to approve the minutes of the November 12, 2015, meeting as distributed. Motion passed.
- IV. Reports
 - a. Executive Committee: The Executive Committee did not meet and there is no report.
 - b. Board Development Committee: The Board Development Committee met and discussed possible board replacements. Ms. Struthers is one of the suggested and is in attendance tonight. The others will be invited to the January meeting.

There will be three openings on the board. Chuck and Margaret are leaving the board at the end of December and Abby resigned last month.

- c. Finance Committee: Information was presented by Jon on finances of the Library. He reviewed the information from January to November. Jon provided each Board Member with a copy of his report and a copy of Jon's report is attached to the minutes file. Art Walk was very successful this year, with the Library taking in more than \$20,000 compared to 2014's \$16,000. Motion Newcomer, Second, Matthews to accept the Finance Report as presented.

- d. Fundraising Events Committee: Hump Day Lunch as a fundraiser was discussed. Our next one will be chili-cheese hot dogs. All board members are to bring buns and a salad. The Friends group will furnish desserts. Each Board member is requested to submit a slip stating how much they have spent. Only about 4 mice left. Good time to get one if you still haven't gotten one. We made \$1,440 and still have tickets for the "special" mouse.
Don shared additional information on the 5K-Walk/Run co-sponsored with the Alpine Food Pantry to co-sponsor a 5K race in February. More information will be shared as it becomes available. This would give us two spring fund raisers.

- e. Friends: It was decided at the last Friends meeting to issue an Honorary Membership to Doris Knauer. She is 101 years old. She has served the library and the Friends group for many years.

- f. Library: Don reported that the Library has four people signed up for GED classes. They meet on Monday and Thursdays. The Library will schedule an open house for the 3D printer to show people what it can do and what the cost would be. It will probably be in February. Don has applied for a Frank Dobe Library Trust Account. The Library Newsletter will be available after the first of the year. Marybeth is working with a teen group to do short video clips to promote the library.

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V. Old Business:

- a. Five people used the parking lot as a drive thru when Linda and Margaret were out there talking. Speed bumps can be purchased for about \$500 for two sets. Don will purchase them.
- b. Mountain Country Christmas took in almost \$1,400 .
- c. Election of Officers: All current board officers agreed to continue in their positions for another year. Since Margaret Matthews is leaving the board, Kathy Bork agreed to be the Vice President. President Bryant called for nominations from the floor three times. Motion, Matthews, second, Roe that the nominations are closed and the proposed slate of officers is elected. Motion Carried. Officers are: President, L. Bryant; Vice-President, K. Bork; Treasurer, J. Roe; Secretary, P. McCall
- d. Budget Process: Don put together a budget document for discussion. This is still ongoing pending the results of the fund raising we are doing. It will be brought back at the next meeting. Jon brought up the idea that we monitor when finances are getting to a certain threshold. If we get below “x” dollars, we immediately take action. No action was taken on this figure at this meeting.

VI. New Business: No new business.

VII. Next meeting date: **Thursday, January 17, 2016**

VIII. Motion Bork, second, Donnell to adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat McCall, Secretary
APL Board of Directors