Alpine Public Library, Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
Thursday, August 13, 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, Margaret Matthews, Don Wetterauer, Luc Novovitch, Jim Glendinning, Abby Garza, Filemon Zamora, Chuck Newcomer, Kathy Donnell, and Pat McCall

I. Meeting was called to order by Linda Bryant, President, at 6:00 p.m.

II. Introduction of Guests and announcements: Kathy Bork, scheduled guest was unable to attend and shared her information with Linda Bryant. Linda shared with the group Kathy’s suggested activities for fund raising. A golf outing was suggested similar to what Pilot Club does. Abby will call Country Club and will email all directors the proposed dates. Linda will follow-up with Kathy Bork for assistance. Motion: Kathy D, Second: Filemon Zamora that we pursue a date for the Golf Outing. Motion passed. Don shared a “Stay at home and read” Ball. This has been done by libraries in California and was quite successful. Final suggestion from a library employee: Eat at Linda’s house. Linda is willing to consider doing this once. Folks will be asked to bring a dish and make a donation. Like a potluck, but you donate money. Dates discussed and Sunday, September 27, from 1:30 to 4:30 was chosen. One item was added to Old Business: Speed Bumps and Open Carry Law.

III. Approval of Consent Agenda
   a. Motion, M. Matthews, second, K. Donnell, to approve the minutes of the July 9, 2015 meeting. 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 did not meet.
   c. Finance Committee: Information was passed out by Don. Jon was unable to attend the meeting. There was discussion on the information.
   d. Fundraising Events Committee: $470 on last Hump Day Lunch and this included 6 new Friends members.
   e. Friends: Kathy shared the information on the Adult Spelling Bee, Saturday, September 12, at the Big Bend Brewery. Kathy Bork will be the M.C. There will be 5 “celebrity” judges. Teams will be up to 4 people. There is a $150 entry fee to be on a team. First prize winning team will receive $50 per person and 2nd place will each receive $25. There will be a $5 spectator fee and a Taco Bar. The $5 will allow one trip to the Taco Bar. We are hoping for 20 teams. Big Bend Brewery will sell beer and water will give us 10% of proceeds. There will be other prizes too.
f. Library: The 3-D printer has been approved and should arrive sometime in September. Don went to City and Commissioner’s Court and requested funding. Linda and Don went to a workshop with West Texas Philanthropy and this was very beneficial. Got some ideas and resources. Over 500 people came through the Chimpanzee Challenge. Don is working on a Family Reading Program with the Texas Arts Council. More info as we proceed with this.

V. Old Business

a. Margaret presented the finalized version of the APL Art & Exhibition Policy. Because some members are seeing it for the first time, we will vote on accepting it at the September meeting. Please review and share any questions with Margaret, Luc, or Cheryl as they were the committee who put it together.

b. Mini-Open House: This is an attempt to get more people in to the library. It will be geared to sharing info about the library to those who aren’t currently using the library. We will do it September 25 from 9:30 to 12. Folks will be invited to come for coffee and cookies and a tour.

c. Outreach ideas. This is part of the Mini-Open House.

d. Speed bumps. Margaret has noticed people speeding thru the road by the Library. She is wondering whether the city or county could do a speed bump. Luc says the County cannot do anything on private property. Chuck says you can buy rubber speed bumps and install them in the driveway. We could also post signs. Don will check on price of speed bumps.

e. Open Carry. Discussion on this with staff. The Texas Library Association says we can post notices that guns are not allowed. Don will check with our attorney to see if there is any problem with us doing this. This item will be placed on next agenda for vote.

VI. New Business

a. By-Laws: Linda reviewed the By-Laws regarding attendance of board members. Members have not been notifying board president when they are unable to attend. We have not been enforcing our board member’s attendance in accordance with the by-laws. Linda will send out email to see if the day/time needs to be changed. The by-laws will be enforced regarding attendance. Discussion on quorum followed. The discussion was tabled and will be brought to next meeting.

b. Price of copies: The cost of copies will now be $.30 per copy.

c. Hours of Library: Discussion of possibly closing or changing library hours. This item will be on September agenda.

VII. Next meeting will be Thursday, September 10, 2015.

VIII. Motion, Donnell, second, Zamora to adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat McCall, Secretary
APL Board of Directors