

Alpine Public Library, Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
AEP Foundation Multipurpose Room
October 11, 2018
5:30 p.m.

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: Kathy Donnell; Gary Dill; Maria Curry; Jon Roe; Mary-Elizabeth Thompson; Lee Smith; Amelie Urbanczyk; Alejandra Villalobos-Meléndez; Executive Director Don Wetterauer. Absent: Kathy Bork [excused]; Cynthia Salas [excused]; Mike Pallanez. The meeting was called to order by Kathy Donnell at 5:35 p.m.

- A. Changes to agenda—add storage building under old business.
- B. Introduction of Guests—prospective board members Bernadette Devine and Alexandra Moldovan were in attendance to observe the meeting.
- C. It was moved and seconded that the minutes of the August 9, 2018, meeting be approved as distributed. The motion carried unanimously.
- D. Reports
 1. Executive Committee—no report.
 2. Board Development Committee—no report.
 1. Finance Committee—The financial reports were circulated electronically. Discussed the challenges with particular regard to needed revenue. Alejandra presented a draft of a synthesis drawn from the APL Annual Statistical report. The library is doing a wonderful job and the shared report reflects that message.
 3. Friends
 - a. Re-reads has distributed book marks that advertise the sale of new books at Front Street and used books at Re-reads.
 - b. Terrific Tuesday lunch will be Oct. 16.
 - c. National Friends of Library week will be observed Oct. 22-26. Special coffee will be served on Oct. 26.
 - d. Pictures of Friends will be featured on the library tv monitor.
 - e. Wonderfall carnival will be on Oct. 29 4 – 6 pm. Volunteers welcome.
 4. Library
 - a. October 10 author talk/book signing – Ben English. His book is titled *Yonderlings*
 - b. Saturday Storytime October 13.
 - c. More personnel changes: We've taken another work study student from Sul Ross, Henry and Natalie. Update on Nicole.
 - d. STEM Family Night October 24
 - e. Travel talk this month-Denis Foley and Rozolen Stanford-*Teardrop Camping*

- f. Possible to get some part of a \$20,565 per year for 3 years Texas Workforce Commission grant in collaboration with the Far West Adult Education Consortium
 - g. Continuing to work on getting the storage space and the conversion of ReReads back room into workspace/tutoring rooms.
 - h. Re-reads sold the first book on Amazon – a book of poetry.
 - i. Still more issues with the library IT.
5. Campaign for Kids
- a. We have submitted several proposals this year for a total of \$355,000. We have received a few negative responses.
 - b. We received a bit more than \$10,000 in gifts and pledges this year.
- E. Old Business
- 1. A storage building is needed as a result of the plan to reduce the re-reads workroom to net some space for tutoring rooms. Donations have been made for the building. Motion made by Kathy Donnell and seconded by Alejandra Villalobos-Meléendez to have the necessary sub-structural work done to prepare for the arrival of the building. Motion carried unanimously.
- F. New Business - none
- G. Next meeting date: November 8 at 5:30 p.m.
- H. Meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gary Dill, secretary
APL Board of Directors