

Alpine Public Library, Board of Directors Meeting Minutes
AEP Foundation Multipurpose Room
January 16, 2020
5:30 p.m.

Mission: The Alpine Public Library works to build community, encourage literacy, and promote lifelong learning. We endeavor to create and maintain a welcoming facility with relevant and enriching resources that connect our diverse and geographically remote area to the world.

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

Members present: Linda Bryant; Maria Curry; Bernadette Devine; Kathy Donnell; Gary Dill; Betsy Evans; Alexandra Moldovan; Lee Smith; Mary-Elizabeth Thompson; Amelie Urbanczyk; Executive Director Don Wetterauer. Absent: Alejandra Villalobos-Melendez(excused); Cynthia Salas (excused); Mike Pallanez (excused). The meeting was called to order by Gary Dill at 5:30 p.m.

- A. Changes to agenda: no changes
- B. It was moved (MET) and seconded (BD) that the minutes of the December meeting be approved. The motion carried unanimously.
- C. Reports
 - 1. Finance Committee—The financial reports were reviewed and discussed, generally positive. DW noted that the budget was off due to Amazon postage costs, though sales from Amazon listings has been around \$5K in ReReads. KD pointed out that ReReads is now the only used book store in Alpine, also owing to the climb in sales. DW reported on the budget proposal: expenses keep going up; 4% raise to employees amount to about \$10K more; budget proposes that we will receive more from fundraisers. MC moved to approve budget, including raises; LS seconded; GD reminded the board that we must commit to raising the money needed for budget and the matching grant.
 - 2. Friends
 - a. Re-Reads.
 - 1) need desk volunteers and back-ups
 - 2) DWAS has 11-12 commitments, need volunteers the night of the event
 - 3) Newsletter deadline: 2/17
 - 4) LS announced Volunteer & Staff party at KD's on MLK Monday
 - b. Fund-raisers.
 - 1) The board discussed kicking-off fundraiser with wine/chocolate/cheese event at the library on 2/14; BD questioned the date as viable; MET thought a "drop-in" before or after dinner plans might work better; LS suggested 2/15 or 2/16; ultimately tabled by GD & KD to wait to find out if Theresa Elliot will be able to make an appearance for the kick-off. Ms. Elliot's signed and framed print has been donated to benefit CFK, valued at \$4K.

5. Library
 - a. More requests coming in to use AEP room than availability.
 - b. Zumba and Yarn Arts are both hosting many folks, around 15 ea.
 - c. Tutoring rooms are being used frequently
 - d. Sheep to Shawl program with BBRSP rangers on 1/25 for folks 5 & up
 - e. Proposal being written to obtain a portable virtual/augmented reality system to be used in the library but also for training teachers that could then check it out to be used in classrooms.
 - f. Next travel talk: Monarchs and Mexico City
 - g. DW would like to get name tags for board members who do not have them
6. Campaign for Kids— DW proposed that we use the tote bags donated by the Dill family as a gift to donors of CFK campaign; 3/18 will be the French night concert by Jeffrey Meyer at the Civic Center to benefit the campaign; Mini-Golf tourney will be 7/11, with evening hours to be adult only; Homeschool group will present a play in April or May to benefit the campaign
- D. Old Business - No report not previously discussed
- E. New business
 1. AVM has resigned from her position on the board and as treasurer; AM agreed to take over as treasurer for the duration of the term

Meeting adjourned at 6:34PM

Respectfully submitted,

Amelie Urbanczyk, secretary
2019 APL Board of Directors