

Alpine Public Library Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes
Thursday, August 8, 2024
5:30 PM
AEP Foundation Multipurpose Room and Zoom

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.

Board Members present: Linda Bryant, Don Wetterauer, Susie Celaya, Maggie Bootman, Betsy Helesic, Reagan Stone

Board Members excused: Judy Bowers, Isabel Jones, Mary Bennett, Cathay Lammons

A. Call to order - Linda Bryant called the meeting to order.

B. Changes to the agenda - Linda Bryant asked if anyone had a change to the agenda. Don Wetterauer, Maggie Bootman, and Linda Bryant had items for New Business.

C. Introduction of guests and announcements - Linda Bryant introduced Kay Tscheyka who applied to be a member of the Board. Discussion took place. Susie Celaya made a motion to invite Kay Tscheyka to join the Board. Maggie Bootman seconded. Passed. Linda Bryant added Kay Tscheyka as a new member through 2027.

D. Approve minutes - Linda Bryant asked if everyone had a chance to review the minutes. Spelling corrections were recommended. A motion to accept the minutes as corrected was made by Maggie Bootman. Kay Tscheyka seconded. Passed.

E. Consent Agenda - Linda Bryant gave everyone time to review the Consent Agenda. Discussion took place. Linda asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented. Reagan Stone moved. Susie Celaya seconded. Passed.

F. New Business

1. **New member applications** - *Moved to item C, above.*

2. **Native Plant Society Garden for Patty Manning** - Don Wetterauer shared that the Native Plant Society approached him about planting a garden to honor Patty Manning on APL Property.

3. **SRSU Resource Fair** - Maggie Bootman shared information about the SRSU Acclimate to Alpine Resource Fair for Welcome Week. She offered to combine forces among APL and SRSU Library. Don Wetterauer planned a table already.

4. **Fundraising idea trial** - Linda Bryant shared that she wants to invite the Board over to dinner as part of a future meeting to trial a fundraising idea. Discussion took place.

G. Ongoing business

1. **Mail Promotion in Utility Bills** - Linda Bryant shared that it might be possible to use the utility bills to send out a few mailings per year. Don Wetterauer brought up the Every Door Direct Mail option through USPS. Susie Celaya asked how much it costs. Don Wetterauer will research more. Kay Tscheyka suggested we do both options. Don Wetterauer reported he stopped doing the email newsletter for now. The list was about 1400-1500. Reagan Stone recommended Constant Contact/MailChimp as services to consider. More research is needed.
2. **Building Committee update** - Linda Bryant asked Don Wetterauer for a building committee update. Don Wetterauer shared that construction should finish by the end of August. Then, furniture is expected at the end of August.
3. **Endowment Committee formation - tabled until after library move**
4. **Mural** - Linda Bryant will check in again with the mural artist.
5. **Alpine's Got Talent Report** - No additional reporting needs for this item. It can be removed from the September agenda.

I. Next meeting date - Betsy Helesic shared that she will be out of town during the planned meeting date of Thursday, September 12. We agreed to move the meeting to September 26.

J. Adjournment - Betsy Helesic moved to adjourn. Kay Tscheyka seconded. Passed.

2024 Board of Directors:

Linda Bryant, President (2024)

Isabel Jones, Vice President (2025)

Susie Celaya, Treasurer (2027)

Betsy Evans, Secretary (2024)

Cathy Lammons (2027)

Kay Tscheyka (2027)

Mary Bennett (2025)

Judy Bowers (2024)

Maggie Bootman (2026)

Greg Henington, Brewster Co. Representative

Reagan Stone, City of Alpine Representative