

City of Bastrop Public Library Board

Meeting Minutes

April 4, 2022

1. Call to Order

- a. Meeting was called to order by President Mary Jo Jenkins at 5:57 pm. Members present were President Mary Jo Jenkins, Barbara Clemons, Meagan Webb, Laura Goodwin, Jennifer Leisure, Sally Keinarth, Mayor Connie Schroeder, and Library Director Bonnie Pierson.

2. Citizen Comments

- a. No citizen comments

3. Announcements

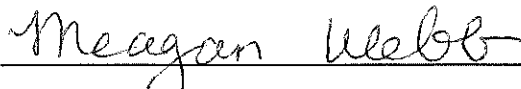
- a. Library staff will be participating with the Bastrop Rec Center and the Parks Board for International Walking Day on April 6th, hosting two different walking tours that day.
- b. Kimberly Hanley will be the guest at April's City Friends Story Time, presenting on water conservation
- c. The library will participate in Spring Fest, a public event hosted by the CAC and CASA on April 23rd at Fisherman's Park
- d. The book and plant sale will take place on April 29th and 30th
- e. The library has committed to participating in April and May's pre-movie activities for the City of Bastrop's Movies in the Park
- f. The library's Summer Reading Program will begin on May 31st and run through July 23rd, with an End of Summer Reading Program party scheduled for July 23rd
- g. Library Director Announcements
 - i. National Library Week is April 4th to 8th
 - ii. ~~The CAC~~ ^{CASA} will chalk the sidewalk of the library on April 21st for Child Abuse Prevention Month
 - iii. On April 30th, The Colorado River Walkers will host a Volksmarch that will begin at the library
 - iv. The library will host a story time egg hunt on April 13th
- h. Board Member Announcements
 - i. None

4. Reports

- a. Library Director Report
 - i. The library is participating in a project by students from CRCA called the Period Poverty Project; materials are located in the library's restrooms
 - ii. Over 50 people participated in the March Lego project
 - iii. 149 Kindergarten students toured the library in March
 - iv. Coffee with Catherine partnered with the Bastrop Rec Center to give a demonstration of a new class they've started called A Matter of Balance

- v. Austin Public Health and CARTS came to the library on separate days to provide information (APH on COVID-19 and CARTS on their Rides on Demand service)
 - vi. Carmen Serna celebrated her 7th anniversary with the library on March 16th
 - vii. The new Library Associate, Kathryn Durham, started on March 28th
 - viii. The Tech Services and Circulation Librarian position has been hired: the new hire's name is Amy Cuellar
- b. Statistical Comparison Report
 - i. The presentation of statistics was aligned with the strategic focus areas:
 - 1. Community Engagement: the door count year to date through February is already at 50% of last year's total, showing an increase; nonresident users accounted for 71% of patrons in the reporting period
 - c. Monthly Financial Report
 - i. Year to Date Revenue: \$20,016.89
 - ii. December 2021 Revenue: \$3,361.82
- 5. Presentations – None**
- 6. Workshop**
- a. Board discussed fine free libraries: Bonnie provided the Board with several articles related to fine free libraries; the Board decided to decline the current fee schedule in favor of the different recommendations for items such as fines, check out times, and items checked out per card. Bonnie will write up the recommendations discussed so that the Board can vote on them at the next meeting
- 7. Consent Agenda**
- a. Jennifer Leisure made a motion to approve the minutes with no corrections noted and Sally Keinarth seconded; minutes were approved
- 8. Items for Individual Consideration and Discussion**
- a. None
- 9. Adjournment**
- a. Meeting was adjourned at 6:39 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Meagan Webb, Secretary



Mary Jo Jenkins, President