



MINUTES

Regular

Azle Library Board

333 W. Main St.
Azle, TX 76020

February 13, 2024

1:00 PM

Community Room

CALL TO ORDER

Deborah Giegoldt called the meeting to order at 1PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mary Tredennick led the pledge of allegiance.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

1. **This is an opportunity for the public to address the Library Board on posted agenda items or non-agenda items. Comments are limited to three (3) minutes. The Library Board may not comment publicly on non-agenda items but may direct the Library Director to resolve the matter or request the matter be placed on a future agenda. Public comments regarding non-agenda items shall not include any “deliberation” as defined by Chapter 551 of the Government Code, as now or hereafter amended.**

There was no citizen participation.

ACTION ITEMS

2. Minutes

Consider any action approving the minutes from the January 9, 2024 Library Board Meeting.

Mary Tredennick made a motion to approve the January 9, 2024 minutes. Royal Ward second the motion. The minutes were approved unanimously.

3. Lab Rental Policy

Consider any action approving the Lab Rental Policy.

Curren McLane discussed that the former computer lab will become a reservable room for local non-profit groups and organizations. Curren presented a Lab policy that is still being adapted as there are still details that are being decided, such as the room's name, usage availability, capacity, and other details. No vote was taken at that time.

PRESENTATIONS

4. Present library usage statistics
Curren McLane, Library Director

Curren McLane presented the library usage statistics by comparing January 2024 statistics to January 2023. Notable highlights are that total circulation increased by more than 3,000, the Azle Memorial Library had 43 more new patrons, 100 more active users and OverDrive magazines were up by 439 year over year. Overall, the library usage statistics in every area are higher.

5. Present information about past and upcoming programs and events
Curren McLane, Library Director

Curren McLane stated that programming is still doing really well. The monthly display, blind date with a book, is very popular, as well as the library's frequent programs.

6. Library building and maintenance update
Curren McLane, Library Director

Curren McLane presented library building maintenance updates. The building lights are being worked on, some of that entails replacing ballasts, upgrading broken lights to LED lights, and replacing lights that were out around the library. Soap dispensers will be changed for wall mounted soap dispensers in the restrooms. The carpet and front windows need to be cleaned. Additionally, the HVAC repairs are still in the works and the parts ordered should be arriving soon.

7. Annual Library department update to City Council update
Curren McLane, Library Director

Curren McLane stated that the Annual Library Department update to City Council will take place on March 19th, 2024, and encouraged the library board members to attend.

8. Discuss Library's 15th anniversary plans
Curren McLane, Library Director

Curren discussed the Library's 15th anniversary plans. There will be a Hunger Games Trivia night on March 12th, a Hunger Games Movie showing on March 15th, a LEGO club birthday themed program on March 20th, a string quartet concert on March 21st, an open house reception on Saturday, March 23rd, 2024 from 1-3PM, a Birthday Fiesta Storytime on March 25th, a DIY corner bookmarks on March 26th, Candy sushi for ages 8-12 on April 2nd, a solar eclipse watch party on April 8th, and a Teen Gaming Party edition on April 9th.

9. Azle Library Trust update
Curren McLane, Library Director

Curren McLane updated the library board on the status of the Library Trust website. It should be ready in the next two months or so.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

No discussion took place.

BOARD COMMENTS OF LIBRARY INTEREST

There were no comments made.

ADJOURNMENT

Karen Propp made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Royal Ward second. The vote in favor was unanimous. The meeting adjourned at 2:45PM.

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Curren McLane, Library Director

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Deborah Giegoldt, Library Board Chair