



MINUTES

Regular

Azle Library Board

333 W. Main St.
Azle, TX 76020

September 10, 2024

1:00 PM

Community Room

CALL TO ORDER

Members Present

Place 2 Karen Propp
Place 3 Deborah D. Giegoldt
Place 4 Mary Tredennick
Place 5 Nancy Lee Stevens
Place 6 Lynda Scott
Place 7 Jan Ford

Deborah Giegoldt called the meeting to order at 1PM.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Deborah Giegoldt led the pledge of allegiance.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

There was no citizen participation.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Consider any action approving the minutes from the August 13, 2024 Library Board Meeting.

Lynda Scott made a motion to pass the August 13, 2024, minutes. Jan Ford seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS

2. Present library usage statistics

Victor Gonzalez presented the library usage statistics. In August 2024, the Azle Memorial Library had 85 more active users than August 2023, which spurred an increase in door count and total items circulated. There was also an increase over August 2023 in program attendance by 373 attendees, and there was an increase of 153 items added to the collection as a direct result of collection purchasers maintaining their accounts.

3. Present information about past and upcoming programs and events

Victor Gonzalez presented statistics and information regarding past library programs and events, stating that the end of Summer Reading Popsicle party in the park had the most attendees with 350 total, followed by the Adult Summer Reading Challenge Finale Party with 80 attendees. Other notable

programs include the library's adult crafting programs as well as additional storytime hours which averaged high numbers consistently. Upcoming programs include candle painting, social security 101, Texas A&M Agrilife extension series, Main Street Book club, a watercolor class, cuddly cryptids, fall-tered art, LEGO club, storytime, yoga storytime, nature themed storytime at the FW Nature Center, a fire safety storytime, and a pumpkin decorating contest. Lastly, the Azle Library Trust website is live, and patrons can start making contributions at www.azlelibrarytrust.org. These contributions help purchase extra books and pay for extra programs.

4. Present library work done by the Azle Memorial Library's video committee

Victor Gonzalez played the Azle Memorial Library's ASMR and Golden Squirrel videos for the library board and inquired about board suggestions for the video committee.

5. Present building updates

Victor Gonzalez updated the library board on the status of the current construction in regards to the Assistant Director's office and vending area.

6. Present updates regarding the library budget

Victor Gonzalez updated the library board on budget updates, the most noticeable update being a transition between a part-time staff member to a full-time position. Other updates include an increase in the book budget, a rolling AV screen, and an increase in the utilities.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

7. Discuss Green Room quiet hours

Victor Gonzalez and the library board discussed potentially having quiet study hours in the Green Room. Overall, it was agreed that Green Room quiet hours was a good idea, that the suggested hours 10-12PM was long enough, and that other hours could be considered, such as 10-11AM or 2-3PM. Additionally, it was suggested to consider other ways, the library could entice patrons to escape noise such as drawing attention to the veranda.

8. Discuss potential future job fairs for local businesses

Victor Gonzalez and the library board discussed potentially hosting job fairs in the library. It was suggested that the Chamber of Commerce would be a better venue for job fairs.

BOARD COMMENTS OF LIBRARY INTEREST

Jan Ford suggested the library host a CPR training class.

ADJOURNMENT

Lynda Scott made a motion to adjourn. Nancy Lee Stevens Second. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 1:55PM.



Curren McLane, Library Director



Deborah Giegoldt, Library Board Chair

