

GARNETT PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

Meeting Minutes

Monday, May 7th, 2018

Present: Steve Markham, Betts Abraham, Jennifer Sibley, Linda Huettenmueller, Carrie Rulon, Sandra Moffatt.
Also present: Andrea Sobba, Library Director. Absent: Mike Hermann.

I. Secretary's Report - The minutes were not available for review.

II. Treasurer's Report- Current statements were not yet available from the bank for the Gifts & Memorials account and SEK State Aid account. Checks were signed to pay bills.

III. Payment of bills was approved (Huettenmueller/Sibley).

IV. Librarian Sobba presented her report. Circulation is down slightly from April, 2017. The number of patrons visiting the library is higher.

V. Minutes from the Walker Art Committee were not available.

VI. A. The FOL book sale raised \$600. There is a possibility of switching to a Fall sale as well as a Spring sale to help reduce the library space required to host one large sale.

B. The FOL annual ice cream social will be held Thursday, June 21st at 7PM at the Depot. As always, the community band will provide the music. In the event of rain, the social will move to the fire station.

VII. A. Steve Markham has officially been reappointed to the Board for another 4-year term.

B. The library has two staff changes. Cindy Powell started training with Sharon on 5/4/18. The SER program will supplement the cost of Cindy's wages during the training period. The library also welcomed Bethany Powis as the summer student worker.

C. Sharon's retirement party will be held from 2-4PM on Saturday, 6/2/18. The library will be closed during the reception to allow all staff to attend. The Board will use \$50 from the G&M account to purchase a gift from a local flower business to give to Sharon for her 38 years of service (Sibley/Moffatt).

D. The library will still be switching to Vyve in July for phone and internet service.

E. Andrea presented her rough draft of the 2019 library budget for the Board's review. The Board will approve the final budget at the June meeting.

F. The summer reading program begins Monday, 6/4/18. This year's theme is "Libraries Rock!". Katy is planning many exciting activities for participating youth & teens.

G. Andrea is still pursuing a dream grant through the regional library system to fund a local storywalk on the rail trail. She has been in communication with a library in Cimarron KS where a similar project has been completed. Andrea estimates a final cost of \$4000-\$6000. The grant would cover 75% of the overall cost, with the remainder possibly coming from FOL funding and community sponsorship of individual book page stations along the trail. Trail supervisor Trent Mccown will need to approve the project before applying for the grant.

VIII. A. Upcoming library events include: Brainy Babies, Caffeine & Colors, Remember When Wednesday, Teen Tech, and the book discussion group.

B. Katy & Andrea plan to attend SEKLS Tech Day on 4/26/18 in Iola. Andrea will attend the SEKLS annual meeting on Friday, 6/1/18 at Iola High School.

C. The next meeting will be held Tuesday, 6/5/18 at 5:30 PM to avoid conflict with the first day of the summer reading program.

The meeting was adjourned (Abraham/Rulon)

Submitted by Jennifer Sibley, Secretary