

Wasco County Library Service District
Board Meeting
September 18, 2018
Location: Maupin

Board members present: Dick Stentz, Carolyn Wood, Carol Jones

Staff present: Jeff Wavrunek, Rani McPhearson and Sarah Tierney

Called to order: at 4:02 by Dick Stentz

Corrections to minutes: none, Carolyn Wood moved to approve, seconded by Carol Jones, and the minutes were approved.

Recognition of visitors and interested parties: none

Additions to agenda: Dollar limit for family fines (moved to New Business)

Shared Concerns: Carolyn Wood said that the fair exhibit was very nice. It was a joint effort, with Sarah Tierney, from Dufur, and Jeannie Glaspy, from The Dalles, putting it together.

Library Directors' Reports:

Maupin – The Adult Summer Reading program winner will receive an etched glass, book shaped trophy. The adult portion of the program was so popular, that it will be repeated next year, with the prize again being a trophy. There will probably be one for the children's winner too. They have posted two job openings for library assistants, and are hoping to eventually have one that will be on-call. The book sale at the ground breaking brought in \$153. There is a new school librarian, who is very nice. The Collins Foundation (a grant has been submitted to them) will be there on Friday, October 5th. Maupin is trying to find programing, especially for people of color. Black Caucus of ALA can help with programing resources, the yearly fee is \$60 (the Board voted to help). These programs would also appeal to other people.

Dufur – School has started. There are plans to replace the carpet, hopefully over Christmas break. They have gotten rid of some excess shelving. Because magazines have not circulated in the last three years, they have gotten rid of that collection, as well as the shelving. State statistics and the Ready2Read grant have been submitted. Dufur is making arrangements for Maggie Pando to come and upgrade the computers. Dufur is also gathering information from Ingram about having books shelf ready (cataloged and all processing done). The cost is approximately \$1.40 extra for hardback books, less than that for the paperbacks. (Having volunteers do the processing has not worked out.) There are three teens, plus two more interested, for the Teen Advisory Council. The library is partnering with the school for bikes from the Masonic Lodge.

The Dalles –The Teen Librarian has resigned. The position had been posted and selected applicants were asked to submit audition videos. There were some excellent candidates; unfortunately a couple of them backed out before the interview process started (one didn't want to make a move at this time and the other accepted a similar position elsewhere). Jeff and Dylan did interview three people, including two internal applicants. They are now waiting for the City Manager for the final decision. Hopefully, we will know by the end of the week. If it is someone from within, it would create another Clerk 1 opening. The new hire, Mema, is going great, she doesn't get flustered. She brought a wealth of knowledge about the library system with her from her previous job (she had been at another Sage library).

In the Children's Room, the new tube exhibit was installed in June; now that that is in place, other scheduled educational exhibits have been put in place. The Dalles Library ended up hiring an outside person to install the exhibits. He was able to get most things up already (he is working on the Lego wall elsewhere, and will bring it in and install it once it is ready). There is now a giant Light Bright and a magnetic wall (with half-tubes, gears and balls). Families are making special trips to the library to see what we have. The library has become a destination for families. Children are enjoying playing with all the educational, interactive things.

Today someone from the alarm company came, talking about installing additional security cameras in the kid's room and the teen space.

