

LYONS LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

September 14, 2023

Open Meeting: Amy Shield opened the meeting at 7:06 p.m. Meg Hebing, Cathy Griswold, and Roxy Wilcox were present. Amy Shield and Tammy McKim attended remotely. Lyn Medley was an excused absence.

Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance. There weren't any additions to the agenda.

Approval of the May 11, 2023 Minutes: Meg made a correction the minutes, noting that she was present. She motioned to approve the minutes as corrected, and Cathy seconded the motion. Minutes were approved.

Old Business:

Weeding/Shifting Project- We are almost done weeding the entire library. Only Romance and the Children's items are left. We are currently working on re-cataloging and relabeling our early reader books to make them easier for patrons and staff to find.

Summer Reading- The program had more than 80 youth signed up. Many enjoyed one or more of the craft and performer programs throughout the summer. Based on attendance, next year the program will start as soon as school lets out and end mid-August. It is difficult to get attendance at programs during the last two weeks of August before the new school year begins.

Library Updates:

Reports

Roxy trained at CCRLS on running and using reports. This should help find items that need correction and be useful during future weeds of the library.

PYM (Chemeketa Cooperative Regional Library System)

Roxy attended the PYM (Chemeketa Cooperative Regional Library System) Small Libraries and Directors meetings. The Small Libraries meeting discussed the Blue Bin grant program that provided craft supplies for each library to do Summer Reading Programming. Some small libraries did in-person programs and some did take home kits. CCRLS provided surveys to be given out to parents, but few filled them out. The results from all the libraries are being compiled and will be included in the grant report so that we can participate in the program again next summer.

CCRLS is changing the rental book program vendor from Brodart (McNaughtons) to Baker & Taylor. This will result in a short period of empty shelves while the new program gets underway. Lyons usually gets 8 points to spend a month. The points are based on book cost. Most books are 1-2 points.

The Directors meeting focused on statistics from the previous year, particularly a decrease in CCRLS online database use. It was proposed that some databases be cut and the funds added to Advantage Title (Libby) since the use of e-books and downloadable audiobooks has increased.

New Business:

Winter Reading Program- We discussed doing a very simple program for families by handing out a calendar and stickers. For each day the family read, they would put a sticker on the calendar. Calendars could be turned in for a cozy reading prize (something like popcorn and hot chocolate). We also discussed doing the Stuffed Animal Sleepover during the winter school break.

The next Library Board meeting will be Thursday, October 12 at 7:00 p.m., in person at the library or via Zoom. With no further business, the meeting was closed at 7:45 p.m.