

Fiske Free Library Trustee Meeting October 15, 2018

The meeting was called to order at 5:07 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: George Caccavaro, Cynthia Cleveland, Sean Magee, Arthur Vidro, Bill Scala and Bob Arcand; also present Director Mike Grace and secretary Marta Smith.

Secretary’s Report

Read and Bill Scala moved to accept it, seconded by Bob Arcand.

Treasurer’s Report

Read and Bill Scala moved to accept it, seconded by Bob Arcand.

Director’s Report

September 2018

Patrons checked out 5,662 items during the month for an average of 236 items checked out per day. Patrons used 513 computer sessions and 170 wireless internet sessions for a total of 509 hours of computer time during the month, an average of 21 hours per day. Over 3,000 patrons visited the library during the month, an average of 126 per day. 49 items were loaned to other libraries through interlibrary loan and 310 new items were added to the collection. Patrons downloaded 311 audio books and 127 e-books from our downloadable books service. 46 new patrons signed up for library cards during the month. In September patrons performed 2,243 searches on our public catalog with 112 of those searches being done on mobile devices. The term most often searched for during the month was “Amulet”.

Circulation of materials

2018	Books	Audio-books	Music CDs	Magazines	Misc	Total Items
March	4204	596	43	22	1543	6408
April	4005	527	46	9	1572	6159
May	4081	481	32	26	1441	6061
June	4231	522	53	28	1475	6309
July	4951	566	113	44	1720	7394
August	4481	479	117	28	1569	6674
September	3737	467	99	25	1334	5662

Items added to collection

2018	Books	Audio-books	Music CDs	Magazines	Misc	Total Items
March	239	1	0	0	29	269
April	230	3	0	2	75	310
May	128	6	0	1	59	194

June	89	0	5	0	17	111
July	562	0	9	0	22	593
August	419	4	12	0	48	483
September	266	2	7	0	35	310

With the school year beginning things became somewhat quieter in the Children’s Room in September. Children utilized 62 sessions on our early learning computer stations during the month and 6 more children signed up for our 1000 books before kindergarten program. Children’s room staff are staying busy performing an inventory of the Children’s collection and planning for a change of layout for the collection. Also, coming up on Saturday, October 6th we will be hosting “Cool Tunes for Kids and Families” by renowned children’s entertainer Eric Herman.

In conjunction with the PBS series “The Great American Read” the library is highlighting the 100 titles chosen for the series as America’s 100 best-loved novels. The books are on display in the library and are featured on our public catalog at <http://bit.ly/fiskefree>.

Old Business

The bequest check from Mrs. Millar is on the agenda for the October 24, 2018 City Council meeting.

New Business

Arthur presented the re-imburement check for the Millar family trust account.

Election of officers:

Bill Scala nominated George Caccavaro as Chairman, and passed unanimously. It was recommended that the whole slate of current officers be voted to continue as is and Arthur moved that the current officers be elected for another, seconded by Bill and passed unanimously.

Mike Grace presented the list of upcoming programs to be held at the library-on Saturday, October 27, 2018 we will have pumpkin painting- outside weather permitting or in the Gilmore Room if not. On Friday, October 26, 2018 three WW I re-enactors from the 103rd Infantry, 26th Division will do a presentation.

Thursday, November 8, 2018 there will be a program titled *Flying for Uncle Sam*. There will also be a basket making workshop on Friday, November 9, 2018 conducted by Jenn Haynes.

Arthur Vidro shared information about the book he is reading- *The Adventures of Henry Turnbuckle*.

Bill Scala moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Bob Arcand. The meeting was adjourned at 5:50 pm.