

Fiske Free Library Trustee Meeting Wednesday, May 30, 2018

Meeting called to order at 5:15 pm

Roll Call

Present: Robert Arcand, Sean MaGee, Cynthia Cleveland and Arthur Vidro; also present Library Director Michael Grace and secretary Marta Smith.

Secretary's Report

Read and Bob Arcand made a motion to accept it as read, seconded by Arthur Vidro and accepted.

Director's Report

April 2018

Patrons checked out 6,159 items during the month for an average of 246 items checked out per day. Patrons used 508 computer sessions and 151 wireless internet sessions for a total of 461 hours of computer time during the month, an average of 18 hours per day. 52 items were loaned to other libraries through interlibrary loan and 310 new items were added to the collection. Patrons downloaded 314 audio books and 156 e-books from our downloadable books service. 53 new patrons signed up for library cards during the month. Also during April patrons performed 2,288 searches on our public catalog with 186 of those searches being done on mobile devices. The term most often searched for during the month was "Stephen King's *It*".

Circulation of materials

2017-2018	Books	Audio-books	Music CDs	Magazines	Misc	Total Items
October	4068	458	57	30	1865	6478
November	4505	411	117	28	1615	6676
December	3368	402	140	23	1471	5404
January	4272	500	140	17	1809	6738
February	3805	470	58	12	1473	5818
March	4204	596	43	22	1543	6408
April	4005	527	46	9	1572	6159

Items added to collection

2017-2018	Books	Audio-books	Music CDs	Magazines	Misc	Total Items
October	265	0	0	4	90	359
November	209	6	0	0	61	276
December	136	0	2	6	33	177
January	386	21	1	2	43	453
February	216	2	6	0	48	272
March	239	1	0	0	29	269
April	230	3	0	2	75	310

During April School Vacation week (23rd to 27th) the library was very busy with daily children's programs and activities. Over 70 children took part in our mosaics, rainmakers, and LEGO programs during the week and many more took advantage of our blocks/games and other freeplay activities. Eight children signed up for our 1000 books before kindergarten program which aims to instill a love of books and reading in young children. This brings total signups in the program to 82. The Children's Early Learning computers continue to be popular with children utilizing 70 learning sessions during the month.

Old Business

Mike Grace reported that he had attended the all-day Saturday, May 12, 2018 Council Meeting on the 2018-2019 budget. There was no comment on our budget by the council except a question about the microfilm project which Mike Grace explained, after which the council voted to add \$500.00 to the budget for the microfilm project. On June 13, 2018 there will be a final meeting on and hopefully passing of the budget.

New Business

The library was named in Helen Cormier's will. Mike Grace said that if it turned out to be a substantial amount he would recommend putting it into a trust.

Marta Smith Children's Librarian shared the schedule for the Summer Reading Program which Bob Arcand said was quite ambitious. Everyone was invited to attend some or all of the programs which are appropriate for all ages. The library received the CLiF grant again this year which means free books for the children.

Bob Arcand asked if the library staff was aware of the "100 Best Books" program which recently premiered on television-we have actually printed out the list to have available when people ask about it.

This led to a discussion of what was and wasn't on the list and what everybody considered list worthy.

Bob Arcand made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Cynthia Cleveland. The meeting was adjourned at 5:50 pm.