

Huntsville Public Library Board

Meeting Minutes February 8, 2002

Opening

The regular meeting of the Huntsville Public Library Board was called to order at 4:02pm on February 8, 2002 in the Huntsville Public Library Nash Board Room by Michelle Lyons.

Present

Board Members: Cathy Drew, Michelle Lyons, Douglas Wright, Tom Waddill
Liaisons: Rachel McPhail, Brenda Collins, Johnnie Jo Dickenson

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Review of Minutes

The minutes of the October 26, 2021 meeting were unanimously approved upon a motion by Cathy Drew and second by Douglas Wright.

Discussion of Topics

Rachel McPhail presented a proposed update to Huntsville Public Library Policies & Procedures, which adds a new section regarding Library Volunteers. The updated policies and procedures were unanimously approved as presented upon a motion by Cathy Drew and second by Tom Waddill.

President's Report

There was nothing to report.

Librarian's Report

Rachel McPhail shared the public's enthusiastic acceptance of recent circulation policy updates and mentioned the library programs presented since the October 26, 2021 Board Meeting as well as several upcoming programs..

Rachel McPhail asked the Board to consider approving Fine Forgiveness Friday, which will be part of National Library Week in April 2022 and precede the next meeting of the Board in May. Ensuing discussion clarified that forgiveness would be limited to fines only, not to charges for damages or unreturned items. Further discussion dealt with the plan to repeat Fine Forgiveness Month this year but to perhaps delay it from June until August to separate the two forgiveness events by more time and help those families who may incur fines during the Summer Reading Program.

A motion to approve Fine Forgiveness Friday on Friday, April 8, 2022 as part of National Library Week was made by Tom Waddill, seconded by Douglas Wright, and unanimously approved.

Rachel McPhail mentioned the purchase of several new items by the Friends of the Library, installation of the new flat screen monitor and sound system in the Staggs Community Room, and the decision to remove program attendance limits instituted as a result of Covid-19.

Member/Citizen/Media Inquiries

There were no Member Inquiries.

Johnnie Jo Dickenson presented a report for the Walker County Genealogy Society in which she mentioned the group's appreciation for the Library's assistance with presenting their January meeting via Zoom from the Staggs Community Room. She stated the new large screen monitor in the room is a great improvement as it makes the presentations so much clearer and easier to see.

Johnnie Jo Dickenson also discussed a recent donation to Huntsville Public Library of 5-6 file boxes filled with the personal family history records compiled by Melba Boney Wells of Sugar Land, Texas. She said the donated records are quite extensive and a wonderful addition to the Genealogy Room collection. Johnnie Jo requested the donor be invited to the Library for a visit and lunch once the collection is cataloged and ready for use. Rachel McPhail stated plans for a reception in the near future are already in the works.

There were no Media Inquiries.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 4:32pm by Michelle Lyons. The next general meeting will be Tuesday, May 24, 2022 at Huntsville Public Library.