

DELTA CITY
LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

Tuesday, January 27, 2015
Delta City Building, Library
76 North 200 West
Delta, Utah

PRESENT

City Librarian Deborah Greathouse
Board Member Camille Gale
Board Member Tammie Bean
Board Member Jody Smith

Board Member Becky Prestwich
Board Member Kristen Chase
City Representative Robert Banks

ABSENT

Board Member Lance Atkinson

Chairwoman Becky Prestwich called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m. The minutes of the last board meeting were presented to be approved. Board Member Prestwich mentioned that there was a spelling error on line 34 which should be corrected. Having done that, Board Member Jody Smith proposed that the minutes of October 20, 2014 be passed. Board Member Tammie Bean seconded the motion.

Librarian Deb Greathouse discussed the Erate program which is currently being used for internet, fax, and telephone discounts. The money available to the Delta City library will be the same this year as last year, but will be open for next year. The Erate program has made changes in the things that are covered. Librarian Greathouse suggested that next year the library could apply for additional services to receive the Erate discount by meeting all the criteria. The library needs to apply every year to receive the discounts.

The chart outlining the budget for Delta City was evaluated. The library is at the halfway mark and everything looks good. The Community Library Enhancement Fund (CLEF) that is dispersed through the State Library is yet to be determined for this year. It will depend on what the legislature allocates.

Board Member Camille Gale took some time to explain that she thought that some kind of a book rating system should be available for our library books. She didn't think that we should put a sticker in each book telling about any questionable events that happened, because we would also need to post a spoiler alert. Librarian Greathouse

mentioned that it is not the library's responsibility to put a rating of any kind on the library materials; that responsibility belongs to the library patron's parents. Board Member Gale suggested that we could make some free bookmarks for our patrons that list several web sites which could be accessed for information about books. Board Member Bean also suggested that a list of those web sites could be put on a small poster which may be hung at the search stations. Board Member Kristen Chase also reminded us that people could ask questions about the suitability of a book from the librarians, who are very informed about many of the books in the collection. The library board members agreed to try to prepare a list of web sites which give good information about books which we will e-mail to Librarian Greathouse.

The digitization project is progressing, and we can now work on the years of 1948 through 1953. Librarian Greathouse will take these newspapers to Orem, Utah for the digitization process to be done. She also told a story about how a person brought a tiny newspaper clipping to her, but the article had no date on it. The person submitting the article estimated the year the article was published, and Librarian Greathouse looked at the papers which have already been digitized and found the same article on the first try. Everyone was surprised that the article was found so fast.

Librarian Greathouse spoke with people at the state library concerning the benefits of a partnership consortium. She was informed by the Utah State Library that libraries which form such a partnership will have a better chance getting money for software. Librarian Greathouse outlined some of the different avenues we could consider. The Board suggested that Librarian Greathouse pick four or five software companies to research and bring the results back to the board at our next meeting. Board Member Prestwich suggested that our library should try for LSTA grant for money to replace our software before we try a partnership consortium. Librarian Greathouse plans to talk to several software representatives. Board Member Smith suggested that she could make a list of questions for the purpose of comparing the software pros and cons. Board Member Smith would like one of the talking points to be the compatibility between our old system and the new. The board was concerned that we may need to re-do our book numbers if we switch to new software.

The Library Lego Club which met on January 6, 2015 was attended by 13 children. Daniel Gale chose a book that followed a winter theme, and he read the book "The Wild Toboggan Ride" by Suzan Reid. The story was very entertaining. The children were then allowed to build their own projects with the Legos. Daniel read the story a second time to a group of children who came late.

During the months of March through April there will be a traveling art show which will be displayed at the Delta City Library. The Delta High School art teacher, Craig Hansen,

has scheduled the artwork from his students to be in the library during the month of April.

The teen book group meets each fourth Thursday at 3:00 p.m. This month the group will be discussing the book "Maze Runner" by James Dashner. The next book that they will read and discuss is "Wonder" by P.J. Palacio. Becky says that many of these books used in the teen book group can be used for AR points.

The annual Night of 1,000 Stars will be held on April 15, 2015 in conjunction with National Library Week. The board suggested several potential readers and came up with a list of people to contact. It was suggested that we could distribute flyers with the names of the readers to generate interest among the public. Board members were asked to be available to set up chairs for the event. Board Member Smith said that he could advertise the Night of 1,000 Stars at the Scout Roundtable by suggesting to the Cub Scout leaders that they may want to have their dens attend. The boys could earn one of several Achievements which are listed in their Cub Scout handbooks. Someone suggested that the Cub Scouts could help set up chairs as one of their service projects.

The front and side walkway needs to be redone. Librarian Greathouse would like the walkway to have character, or at least not to look like plain cement. She and Travis Stanworth will work together this spring to schedule the replacement of the chipped slate.

The next library board meeting will be April 7, 2015 at 5:30 p.m.

There being no other business Librarian Greathouse asked if there were any comments, or question, or other items to be discussed. There being none, Board Member Jody Smith MOVED to adjourn the meeting. The motion was SECONDED by Board Member Kristen Chase. Chairwoman Prestwich asked if there were any comments or questions regarding the motion. There being none, she called for a vote. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairwoman Prestwich declared the meeting adjourned at 6:25 p.m.