

Cross Plains Public Library

Board of Directors Meeting

August 12, 2019

Vice President Sheila Hamlin called the meeting to order @ 9:30 am. Members present were Pete Calvagna, Linda Burns, Cher Ptacek, Michelle Kaiser, Debbie Box and Marsha Ossowski. Jan Bond, Taylor Dillard and Dee Martin were absent. Becky Collier was also present.

**Agenda:** No additions or corrections to the agenda. Agenda was approved, seconded and carried.

**Treasurer Report:**

- Morgan Stanley projected interest will be \$1000.00
- Texas Heritage Bank CD is up for renewal. Given home-town support we will leave with the bank.
- Michelle advised dedicated computer will allow any board member to access files in Michelle's absence.

Treasurer report was approved, seconded and carried.

**Meet the Author/Book to Movie:**

- Linda advised "A Separate Peace" will be featured August 22, 2019 @ 5:30 pm.
- Michael Bunker has agreed to a Meet the Author in the future re: production of upcoming movie from his book "Pennsylvania."

**Directors Report:**

- 398 patrons, 501 books checked out and 12 new library cards issued
- Food for fines will be year round with an article in the paper and on Facebook to advise accordingly. Any money received for fines will be donated to the food pantry and a check will be issued at the end of the year.

**Grants:**

- An updated status of current grants was given. Our next big project will be The Big Read in March 2020. The theme is "In the Heart of the Sea".

**Old Business:**

- Building leak – Dee called Kris and Jan talked with him. He indicated windblown rain could be the culprit and also the gutters may not be adequate for the square footage. Lone Star Gutters was contacted and we are still waiting for someone to look at the gutters and give us advice.

- Electric Provider – Termination fee is equal to one time the sum of electric used. We will use September/October data and terminate the current provider. It was agreed to use a minimal amount of electricity to reduce the termination fee.
- Book Sale – Sheila advised we made \$28.00 from 8 patrons. We will move the book sale location to the library during the months of October through March. Each board member should pick a Saturday to support this endeavor held the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of each month. Time schedule is 10:00 am to noon. Pete will check on selling books on eBay and advise at the September meeting.
- Nextlink switchover has been completed and the fax machine is working. Pete added additional wiring in case we need to move in the future. Cher volunteered her husband to assist with IT.
- City Council – nothing new to report
- We received a thank you card from the J:29 project
- New flag poles are up however the lights are not working. Marsha advised she and Bob will purchase solar lights for each pole.

Meeting adjourned at 10:39 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Marsha Ossowski