

Library Board Minutes
Artesia Public Library
April 14, 2015

- I. **Members Present:** Rebecca Prendergast, Sylvia Flores, Sandi Lanning, Elizabeth Stephens, Laura Simon, and Rae Aaron.
- II. **Call to Order:** 5:20 PM. Chair Rebecca Prendergast
- III. **Minutes:** February 2015 minutes were distributed with Librarian's reports. Sandi Lanning moved that November minutes be approved as presented. Elizabeth Stephens seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- IV. **Friends of the Library Report:**
 - a. Elizabeth Stephens presented report. March was a huge month for the library. Total counted volunteer hours were 810 plus countless additional unreported hours.
 - b. Friends recognized Laura and the staff with a card and candy.
 - c. Friends nominated Laura as a "Star Librarian" to the ALA.
- V. **Librarian's Report:** Laura Simon presented report:
 - a. Literacy Council made request to speak to the board about housing at the library, but have since found an alternate location
 - b. Artesia Public Library was chosen by State Library as a "STEM to Read" site scheduled on April 21. STEM is a program with focus on science, technology, engineering and math.
 - c. Library is coordinating efforts with the Ocotillo Theater to provide the movies for the "Movie on the Walkway." These movies will be shown over 11 Thursdays in a row this summer. Ocotillo selected movies and the Library purchased them. Next year the Library will also participate in the movie selection process.
 - d. Library is coordinating with Arts Council regarding their book collection. Library will include Arts Council collection in the APL catalog. The Arts Council collection consists of roughly 200 books with focus on the arts. Collection includes crafts books as well. The Arts Council and Library are working together in order to avoid duplications in their collections.
 - e. Response for Literacy Council's bi-lingual family literacy night was inadequate to hold the event. The Council will plan the event again this summer. The event will host ten families.
- VI. **Old Business:**
 - a. Submission of board nominations. Names mentioned:
 - i. Sandra Borges
 - ii. Julie Gibson
 - iii. Sarah Polk
 - iv. Kate Asbill
 - v. Lynette Throneberry
 - vi. Jerry Terpening

VII. **New Business:**

- a. Rebecca Prendergast inquired about getting hourly breakdown on gate counts. Board is interested to see library usage trends. Hourly breakdown had been suspended due to technical glitches with the gates requiring staff to temporarily employ a somewhat manual count process. Laura Simon will look into having hourly breakdown included going forward.
- b. Author Laurie R. King is celebrating Library Week by giving away boxes of her book "Beekeeper's Apprentice" for teen reading programs supporting common core program. Elizabeth Stephens submitted Artesia Public Library for consideration.

VIII. **Next Meeting:** May 12, 2015

IX. **Meeting Adjourned:** 6:00 PM