

Library Board Minutes
Artesia Public Library
November 10, 2015

- I. **Members Present:** Terah Maupin Sexton, David Grousnick, Julie Meabon Gibson, Debby Pardue, Sara Polk, Danny Parker, Laura Simon, Rae Aaron.
- II. **Call to Order:** 5:15 PM. Chair: President, David Grousnick.
- III. **Minutes:** Terah Maupin Sexton moved that minutes be approved as written. Julie Meabon Gibson seconded. Motion carried.
- IV. **Friends of the Library Report:**
 - a. Books & Bites with author Kay Asbill was well received. The author donated a copy of her book to the Artesia Public Library.
 - b. The Friends' of the Library book sale will be this upcoming weekend.
- V. **Librarian's Report:** Laura Simon presented the report:
 - a. Tonight Native American flautist will be performing at the library at 7:00 PM
 - b. The library will be hosting an Elvis impersonator in December.
 - c. The Teen Librarian has been hosting knit and crochet sessions for teens. Adults have expressed interest in having an all generation mixer.
 - d. The Library held an adult coloring stress release program at night. Only one person attended. The adult coloring events will be held at lunch going forward.
 - e. The Teen Iron Chef program will be a sandwich made with mystery ingredients. Judges will select a winner.
 - f. December 3, Santa will be at Library for "Light Up Artesia."
 - g. Julie Meabon Gibson inquired about a newsletter to drive attendance for programs. Laura Simon reported that a newsletter could be emailed or sent by postcard that includes an outline of events with a link to the Library's website, and that printed promotional materials are in the library. Danny Parker provided information about Remind.com, a free texting service used by the Artesia Public Schools to send out text reminders. This service would offer patrons the ability to opt-in to receive text reminders of events and programs.
 - h. Some patrons are still unaware of the electronic materials available from the library.
- VI. **Old Business:**
 - a. Sara Polk provided a draft of the Bylaws. Board decided to separate the Vision Statement from the Bylaws. Sara will send Rae Aaron the draft of the Bylaws with revisions to distribute to the Board.
 - b. Danny will draft a new Vision Statement for the Board to review.
 - c. December meeting will be combined with a Christmas social, and Board members will bring finger food.
 - d. Board requested an early reminder for December meeting.
- VII. **New Business:** None

VIII. Next Meeting: December 8, 2015

IX. Meeting Adjourned: 6:00 PM