

Artesia Public Library
Board of Trustees
February 1, 2022

The meeting was called to order by Vice-President Jess Holmes at 5:15 pm. A quorum was present. Members present were Deborah Younggren, Linda Barnett, Sandy Schuetz, Beth Walker, Donna Todd, Rae Aaron, library supervisor Valerie Martin, and city liaison Summer Valverde. Members absent were Danny Parker and Jessica Arenivas.

The secretary's report was approved as emailed. (Rae / Beth)

Friends of the Library report – Deborah

The group did book clubs, story time, meet the author, helped the librarians, “nailed it”, “nerf wars”, and yarn united for a total of 62.5 service hours.

Librarian's Report – Valerie

The following are highlights. Refer to the complete report for more information.

- Learning Lounge twice a week for one-on-one help with learning to use the computer, how to write resumes, job applications, and any other needs.
- Teen Edible Cars February 17 at 4 pm.
- Stuffed Animal Sleepover February 17 at 5 pm.
- No Family Science Night because of Covid and the schools will not bus the students to the Library for the same reason.
- The staff is looking into Brodart Spanish language standing order to build up our adult Spanish collection.
- The Library Supervisor is performing a computer inventory and detailed assessment of our current technology and needed upgrades with the assistance of Wendy and Peter from the City IT department.
- Met with Kaity Hirst regarding science kits and the School Administration Building and took 3 science kits and some other supplies.

Old Business

As requested at the last meeting, Valerie has made a brochure outlining services offered, collection development, controversial materials and how to resolved challenges. The brochure was very comprehensive and Valerie was thanked for her hard work.

New Business

- Received \$17,828 from the ARPA grant agreement for collection, equipment, and library services.
- The Board of Trustees approved the opening of the Library fully on Monday and Saturday to be contingent on filling the frozen position in Library staffing. (Beth / Linda)

The meeting was adjourned at 5:53 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Sandy Schuetz, secretary

The next regular meeting will be March 1st at 5:15 pm.