

**SOUTHWEST LA PLATA LIBRARY DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
17 APRIL 2023**

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:22 pm. In attendance were Scott Davey, Rebecca Benally, Cynthia Loebig, Peter Miesler, Amanda McKown, Roy Horvath, Alana Ostrander, Nona Dale and Sharon Orr.

2. Approve Agenda

3. Consent Agenda

A motion to approve the minutes from the March 20th meeting was made by Peter, seconded by Janet; unanimous approval.

4. Public comment

5. Update from Friends of Library members

Alana Ostrander presented the following topics for discussion

- County Fair: August 9-13; do we want to have a booth? Do we want to have a booth in conjunction with the other libraries?
- Seeking board members
- Rodeo Sponsorship
- Shelving from Telluride

6. Update from Library Director

General Updates

- WiFi printers at each branch working well thanks to support from 9R (Ramon)
- Both libraries are fully staffed and getting trained. Both libraries are functioning really well, very pleased
- The Club is active now at both locations; some drama at FLM but mostly resolved
- I will start Notary training for SS; I think I'll have Cheryl hold off until she is more comfortable in her new position
- Working on expanding hours to open at 1:30 at Sunnyside.
- We have a half-way signed IGA. I'm hoping Dr. Chesser will sign it soon. (Amanda said to reach out to Christy Morgan, as well as Dr. Chesser)
- Clic & Connect--Strategic Planning & Advocacy session of possible interest to board members

Programs

- Peep-A-Rama was very successful at Fort Lewis Mesa with 22 dioramas entered.
- Growing Readers Together has started at both branches, 13 sign ups with about 6 coming regularly. We will continue having preschool story time during this same time slot.
- Planning is underway for a library outreach event at each library. Cindy, Nycole, and Janet are spearheading these outreach events. They are themed "Picknick at the Park." Sunnyside's will be June 16; Fort Lewis Mesa's will be June 23. We will send invitations to each inhabited property in our district boundaries toward the end of May.
- Rock and Read is a very successful Sunnyside program that Patty invented last year. Basically, kids alternate dancing and reading. And there are special dancing guests (last year it was Ballet Folklorika). Each child gets a book to keep. She is going to do it again this year on May 19. It is grant funded.

Statistics

- March statistics are in the shared folder
- PLAR is completed.

Policies and Guidelines

- Two to discuss and approve today
- List of upcoming policies to write has been generated.

Instructions from board to library director

- Reach out to other library directors in the county to see if we want to have a booth at the fair together to promote libraries
- Get the Little Library plaques back to Kim
- Track homeschool usage at the branches (Currently 3 families at FLM)
- Email 9R school board to determine a meeting to present information about the public libraries to the board (more information below)
- Does the library need a representative at SAC/PTO meetings?

A management committee meeting to discuss policies will be held 5/8 at 4:30; location to be determined.

7. Meeting with Dr. Chesser

IGA waiting for signature

Joint Meeting with 9R School Board (June 13th worksession or June 27th regular meeting)

Discuss the following:

- Brief overview of history of librar(ies)
- Emphasis on transitioning priorities (how things have changed)
- Challenges with access constraints and space considerations
- Promote Library Value
 - Things that the library has accomplished/services library provides (Include dollar amounts)
- Home school services
- Goals for collaboration
- CDE school library law
- Library Stability

Dedicated accesses

8. Alternate site options

- Church at Klein; appx. 1.5 acres.
- School district land adjacent to FLM

9. Committee updates

1. Financial status update

- Request for exemption filed
- 260 K in trust accounts
- 170 K in bank
- Mil levy and property values—bills to limit taxable values of properties
- SDA training in Durango

2. Management

A motion to approve the Collection Development Policy was made by Amanda; seconded by Nona; unanimous approval.

A motion to approve the Reconsideration of Library Materials Form was made by Cynthia; seconded by Janet; unanimous approval.

A motion to approve the Privacy Policy was made by Peter; seconded by Janet; unanimous approval.

To be determined:

What is our real strategic objective?

Board members should send an email to Rebecca with an answer to that question.

10. The meeting adjourned at 6:29 PM

Next SWLPLD Board Meetings – May 15, June 19 and July 17, 2023