



Douglas Library Committee

Monthly Meeting Minutes
February 24, 2016
Library Large Conference Room
4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

1) Call To Order

2) Roll Call

- Anne McCleve
- Eva Escalante
- Maria Sexton
- Jenea Sanchez-Uribe-EXCUSED
- Cindy Hayostek
- Jose Frisby
- Jana Selchow-EXCUSED

Other:

Staff Representation:

- Ana Urquijo, Deputy City Manager
- Venessa Cancio, Library Manager

3) Approval of Minutes –January 28, 2016

Motion made by Anne McCleve and seconded by Jose Frisby to approve the minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

4) Upcoming Library Programs & Recap on February Events

The library had seasonal programming for Valentine's Day. There was a Valentine's Day craft and movie event for the kids. The kids made several crafts, ate popcorn, and watched "Be My Valentine, Charlie Brown". Attendance was good with 16 kids and 5 adults coming to the event. There were movies shown throughout the month for children and teens. Attendance is steady and teen attendance is increasing. The library brought back the crochet club and the first meeting back was a success. This time around the library changed the day and time and this seems to have helped attendance. Our adult book discussion groups are also having a steady attendance and many new members. AARP is at the library helping patrons with their taxes. AARP will be continuing to come to the library until April 11th. In February the library has added early literacy programming on Friday evenings. Next month in March the library will start its new Art Club, Arts & Crafts Club, and Writing Club.

5) General Report/Update on Library Issues by Venessa Cancio

The committee discussed adult programming after it was mentioned that the library was starting the new clubs for the kids in March. The committee thought the art club was a great idea and mentioned that an art club for the adults would be nice for the future. They said that adults needed more leisure activities and things to do in Douglas and having more options at the library would be good. They agreed that it was important not to overwhelm staff and to see how the clubs for the kids go first before adding anything else. Maria Sexton talked about a program called "Book to Art Club" that would be good for adult programming. The committee requested that Venessa Cancio send them an email with information on the "Book to Art Club" website.

The committee was updated on the status of the fines and fees policy changes. So far the draft is being looked over and once all of the recommended edits are made, a new draft can be formulated with those new changes. The committee brainstormed ways to better improve library functions, such as possibly physically taking away a patron's card if they do not reconcile account. For instance, if a patron comes to use the computer or check out an item, if their account is not reconciled and in good standing, staff will automatically confiscate the patron's card until the account is reconciled.

6) Member Reports

7) Next Meeting Date

March 31, 2016

8) Adjournment

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