



Douglas Library Committee

Monthly Meeting Minutes
January 28, 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

Cindy Hayostek-Unexcused

Jose Frisby

Jana Selchow

Other:

Staff Representation:

Ana Urquijo, Deputy City Manager

Venessa Cancio, Library Manager

3) Approval of Minutes –October 29, 2015

Motion made by Eva Escalante and seconded by Anne McCleve to approve the minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

4) Upcoming Library Programs & Recap on December Events

The library had seasonal programming for December. There were children and teen Christmas movies with a total of 53 participants for 4 movies. The library had 4 teen participants for Anime Afternoon. Staff has been working on a day and time that would work better for the majority of teens. At first, Anime Afternoon was on Thursdays, but at the request of teens we moved it to Friday afternoon. Our Food for Fines program yielded 46 participants. Last year we had 47 participants for the program. The library was able to collect around 200 non-perishable items for the Holiday Drive. Our Donation Drive for the Elderly yielded 25 participants. Last year we had 7 participants. The library was able to collect around 70 items for the elderly. We had 46 participants for our ornament decorating event. Last year we had 20 participants. This program was a huge success and we doubled our participation stat for this event. The patrons enjoyed the crafts and the staff was really creative in planning the crafts for the event. There were 174 participants for our Polar Express Night with Santa. Last year we had 140 participants. Our Polar Express Night with Santa was a success and we had more people come to the event this year. The library seasonal programming continues to grow and become more popular within the community. The calendar for February was given to the committee.

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

The committee wanted updates on future programming for the library. Venessa Cancio told the committee about plans to have more health workshops for the adult community because the library had made a partnership with the University of Arizona Health Network.

The theme for Summer Reading Program was discussed. The theme for this year's Summer Reading Program is "On Your Mark, Get Set...Read", which is a theme focused on sports and fitness. The committee gave ideas for the Summer Reading Program, such as asking the cheerleaders and football players at the high school to do a story time. They also said to contact the U of A to see if any athletes are willing to come to the library to do a presentation for the kids or to do a story time.

Venessa Cancio also expressed the idea of starting a Friends of the Library Teen Branch in order to create more opportunities for the teens of the community and to help the Friends of the Library. The committee approved of this idea and encouraged the library to talk to the superintendent about disseminating library calendars and programming flyers to the schools and students. They also

encouraged that the library work on the Friends of the Library Teen Branch and talk to the superintendent, CASS, and Omega Alpha about starting this club.

Venessa Cancio discussed the teen book club and how it has been rough recruiting members. Maria Sexton spoke about her teen book club at the high school and gave advice about using Google Classroom. Some of her students enjoy doing book discussion virtually and if the teens do not want to be at the library physically, they can join the discussion online instead.

6) Member Reports

7) Next Meeting Date

February 25, 2016

8) Adjournment

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