

Smithfield Public Library
Board Meeting
May 18th 2022

Attending: Bill Emmett, April Godderidge, Kathy Toolson, Eric Bingham, Marilyn Benavidas,
Wade Campbell

(Todd excused)

Welcome and approval of minutes: Minutes approved.

Marilyn - Summer reading is coming up starting June 6th. Library board members can solicit businesses to support this program. We also accept cash donations which can be made to the jar in the library. (We do not accept leftover parade candy as donations)

Library is celebrating their 100 year anniversary and had some good information set up for health days. We have several 100 year activities including a time capsule. We are looking for ideas for things to include in the time capsule. Wade will ask Kris if we can get a Sky View High School yearbook donated for the time capsule.

The library grounds need to be better cared for. The Siberian Elm needs to be taken out. The current groundskeepers don't clean off the clippings and they drive like a bat out of... The people who cared for it last year did a much better job.

- A brief pause in our meeting as Wade searched for a little blond boy whose brother thought he was still in the library somewhere.

The internet policy was discussed and approved. It hasn't changed much since last time but it has to be resubmitted every 3 years in order to be recertified.

We have 2 grants and have to spend the money by the 30th of June. The first is the Cleft Grant which is \$4700. This is designated for technology and one use will be updating the computers that we currently have. Marilyn is going to get a bid. Some money will be spent on graphic novels which are the most popular book type in the library.

From the America Rescue Plan, the state library gave money for library upgrades. We have bought several books of different types with that money. We have \$691 of that money left.

New library shelving is almost completed and cameras are being installed both inside and outside of the library.

Library 100 year celebration party September 17th from 2-4pm. Todd will talk to Jeff Gittins about putting up a historical display. April is in charge of cake (planning for 100 people) and balloons. Kathy will talk to a harp player. Eric will talk to Chad Downs about coming to share with people about the paintings. Eric will make a (small) display about what life was like 100 years ago (In collaboration with Jeff Gittins.)

Library book sale went well, but next year we should start it earlier so we can catch the breakfast crowd.

Our next meeting will be in August.