

Chelsea Public Library
Board of Directors

Meeting: August 18, 2016

Present: Dana Polk, Dawn Wilson, Loyd Mehaffey, Lori Cheney

Dawn called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

The minutes of the May 19th meeting were read. Lori made a motion to accept the minutes, seconded by Loyd, passed unanimously.

Financial Report: The account balances, circulation statistics, and the proposed 2017 budget were presented.

Directors Report: Signs for library location were discussed, Dana will ask Jimmy to move a sign. Loyd mentioned Dana may want to make presentation to the schools. She is unsure if Girl Talk will begin again. The film program for teens was a big success.

Old Business: Dana did not get LSTA grant match, however she is still hopeful. These funds are for Playaway launch pads and computers.

New Business: There was talk about a security system for the library. The library already owns security cameras, and these need to be put in place. Dana is suggesting ~~eight~~ ^{ten} T Mobile Hot Spots for budget approval. The process of lending will be discussed further if approved.

The summer reading report was a huge success. All programs 184. Breakdown is K5-5th 95, teens 45, and adults 44. Books logged were K5-5th 1,608, teens 20 and adults 379. Toddlers averaged 25 per week. Program attendance, Tuesday movies 145, Wednesday program 578, and Thursday program 110, for a total of 833. In general, attendance was about 3,000 patrons for June, and almost as many for July. 95 new patron cards were issued in those two months as well.

A new staff person was approved for 17 hours per week. Dana has taken three applications. The hours will be Tuesday 9-1, Friday 9-5 and Saturday 9-2. The hiring policy was discussed and there was a question about a Personnel Board, however we decided to wait upon the new Mayor to decided how to proceed.

Library maintenance issues were discussed. Lori mentioned painting and Dana would like the grounds to be cleaned up. Loyd mentioned a grant for landscaping may be available from Lowe's. Dawn will check to see if an Eagle Scout from her church would be interested in heading up this project.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 9th at 9:00 a.m.

Motion to adjourn – Lori, seconded by Loyd, passed unanimously. Adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Lori Cheney.