

Leach Public Library  
Board Monthly Meeting  
Thursday, February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2015  
4:00 PM

## Meeting Minutes

Present: Mary Ruth Franzen, Judy Oren, Simone Sandberg, Mary Schradick

Absent: Chris DeVries

Also Present: Greta Guck

Oren called the meeting to order at 4:06 p.m.

**Additions to Agenda-** No additions were made to the agenda.

**Minutes of December Board Meeting-** Schradick moved and Franzen seconded to approve the January minutes. The motion passed.

**Friends of the Library report-** None

**Physical Plant: Library Updates project-** Guck stated that the plaster and paint work has been completed. Comstock has the front door, and is currently staining it.

### Library Operations

**Monthly Report-** Guck gave the Board members a copy of the January 2015 monthly report.

**Monthly Bills-** Guck gave the Board members a copy of the January 2015 library expenditures and financial report.

**Library Programs-** Guck stated that the Children's Winter Reading program, Wild About Books, was a great success, with about 20 kids participating. She also updated the Board on her upcoming craft programs— she has Arm Knitting scheduled for March with two sessions, Monday night and Tuesday afternoon.

**Old Business: ALA Midwinter Meeting-** Guck reported on her recent trip to Chicago to attend ALA Midwinter.

**L3ND-** Guck stated that the library's application to participate in L3ND was accepted. Guck will attend, along with Library staff Melissa Bakken, Rachel Kercher, and Board member Mary Schradick.

**New Business: Library closed for cleaning Friday-** As the interior work is completed, the library will be closed to the public on Friday and staff will take the opportunity to clean.

**'Sponsor a Shelf' program-** Guck asked for the Board's input on an idea she had for a volunteer opportunity at the library. She would like volunteers to be in charge of shelf-reading specific segments of the library's shelves. The Board suggested that it might not be a good idea to list specific names on each section of shelves. The Board agreed that it would be worth trying out.

**Outdoor Book Drop-** A discussion was held about the possibility of purchasing and installing an Outdoor Book Drop so library users could return their books without having to walk up to the library. Everyone agreed that it was worth pursuing, but the main obstacle would be figuring out the best place to put it. Guck and the Board will begin to explore options in order to find the best spot that will be convenient for all.

**Repurposed Space upstairs-** Guck stated that instead of returning the two computers and desk that were moved due to the interior work, she is going to explore new ways to use that space.

**Business After Hours-** Guck asked the Board what they thought about the Library having a booth at the upcoming Business After Hours. The Board thought it would be worth trying.

President Oren adjourned the meeting at 4:55 p.m.

**\*\* The next meeting will be Thursday, March 19th at 4 p.m. \*\***