Leach Public Library
February 25, 2025

Judy Oren, Library President, called the meeting to order at 4:02 pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Members Present: Judy Oren, Simone Sandberg, and Jeena Kompelien
Members Absent: Deb Loberg and Kelly McNary
Also Present: Melissa Bakken, Leach Public Library Director

Conflict of Interest: None
Additions to the Agenda: None

A motion to accept the January 2025 minutes with three corrections was made by Ms. Sandberg and seconded by Ms. Kompelien. The motion passed.

1. **Friends of the Library-** The FOTL met on February 19, 2025. They will support the "Mixed Nuts" children's presentation for this summer and collaboration with the Breckenridge Public Library for a zoo program. The next FOTL meeting will be on May 14, 2025.

2. **Physical Plant-** No updates at this time.

3. **Library Operations-** The monthly report showed an average month. "Blind Date with a Book" has received over 7 responses. The most recent adult crafting session, "Beaded Mushrooms," saw 7 attendees. An upcoming Scam Awareness program is scheduled for March 12, 2025 at 4:00 pm in coordination with the Wahpeton Police Department. This presentation will take place in the downstairs meeting room. Planning for the Week of the Young Child in April is currently in progress.

4. Old Business-
    - The North Dakota Library Coordination Council's Winter Vision Grant application was completed on February 12, 2025. Ms. Bakken's wellness project would collaborate with yoga instructor Janessa Pagel to offer four sessions of "Library Yoga." Ms. Bakken will find out on February 28 if the grant has been awarded. Then, the grant would need to be utilized between March 1-May 31.
    - The Public Library Survey was submitted to the North Dakota State Library on February 21, 2025.
    - The Strategic Plan was submitted to the North Dakota State Library on February 4, 2025.

5. **New Business-**
    - A patron requested to have one parking spot reserved for library patrons only with signage on either side of the ramp to 2nd Ave N. It is currently 2 hour parking, but continues to be filled with courthouse employee vehicles. Ms.

Bakken will ask the Public Works Department and possibly check with the Police Department.

- Scam Awareness and Prevention class with the Wahpeton Police Department is scheduled for March 12, 2025 at 4:00 pm and is open to the public.
- Ms. Kercher will be on vacation from March 10-March 21. She will have “Take and Make” programs available.
- Ms. Bakken reviewed bill SB2307 that may affect library operations. SB2307 First Engrossment passed and went to the Senate Floor on February 20, 2025 where the entire version was passed. Ms. Bakken will continue to monitor.

Ms. Oren adjourned the meeting at 4:30 pm.

The next meeting is scheduled from March 27, 2025 at 4:00 pm.