

LAWTON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MEETING
Wednesday, May 2, 2018

The Lawton Public Library Board met at 4:00 pm in the board room at the Main Library. Notice of the meeting and agenda were posted in accordance with Oklahoma Law.

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm by Patty Neuwirth, Chair.

ROLL CALL: Patty Neuwirth, Chair; Sue Kremmer, Vice Chair (Absent); Frantzie Couch, Member; Eunice Edison, Member (Absent); Tom Rine, Member; Jenny Breeden, Friends Representative; Kristin Herr, Library Director; Sharon Thompson, Administrative Assistant; Randy Warren, City Council Liaison; Bart Hadley, Assistant City Manager.

A motion was made to approve the Library Board Minutes for the April 4, 2018 meeting as presented. (Couch/Rine).

Customer Comments: A patron sent a thank you card to Amber for her help with research.

The Financial Report was given with a lengthy discussion on the Library's budget and City's budget cuts. The \$25,000 for books was put back into the budget but closing the Branch Library was a suggested cut from the City Manager. One Council member opposed the Branch closing.

The Director's Report was given and Kristin reported on the budget, Comanche County Collection, tax returns of 980 were completed, Diane Graeber's last day of May 4, the Branch Library, and the State Aid formula & what is required for State Aid funding. No vote needed.

Friends of the Library report:

- Frantzie said that the dates for Chautauqua are June 19-23.
- The Friends made \$16,000 at the Book Sale.
- Kristin also noted that Summer Reading volunteers are needed, and Frantzie said she will send a postcard asking for volunteers from the Friends.

Family History/SWOGS report was noted in the Board packet. No vote needed.

No City Council Agenda Items for the library to report at this time.

Unfinished Business: No vote needed on these items.

- Kristin said all Director's were directed to cut another 5% out of the budget. This amount for the library added up to \$58,000 to be cut.
- No updates to be reported at this time on the Restroom upgrades.

New Business:

- Library hours were discussed and the library follows the amount of hours we are required to receive State Aid.
- Branch Library was discussed because of Budget shortfalls and the Branch may have to be closed. Councilman Warren will do some checking with the Wyatt's on the Branch issues.

Comments: The Library Board agreed that they would like to see more book money for the library.

Meeting adjourned at 5:15 pm.

Sharon Thompson, Administrative Assistant