

Duchesne County Library Board Meeting: Oct. 13, 2015

Location: Duchesne Library Moderator: Pres. Kerrilynn Miles Excused: Janet Roberts

Present: Pres. Kerrilyn Miles, Bert Jenson, Yogi Nielsen, Sherry Lott, Beth Gardner, Comm. Greg Todd, Daniel Mauchley

Welcome / Sep. Minutes Approval – Dan will bring printed minutes next meeting.

Library Statistics & Budget

Recent Happenings:

- Utah Arts Museum traveling exhibit wrapping up at Duchesne Library on Oct. 20
- Jeannie & Sim attended ULA Fall Workshop in Vernal and have shared ideas for programming and storytime with the staff.
- Association of Rural and Small Libraries Conference – Daniel attended the ARSL Conference in Little Rock, AK with help from the state library grant. Many ideas about emergency preparedness, programming for various ages, and online advertisement tools were highly promoted and will start to be implemented.
- Grant Writing Workshop – Daniel attended this workshop at the state library and became aware of various grants that he was not aware of previously.
- Director's Retreat – Daniel attended the first annual Utah Director's Retreat in Midway. The majority of the director's expressed great interest in a state-wide library system, as has occurred in Illinois which has big metropolitan areas and many small rural areas. They also want to explore and more expansive courier system between libraries, and a resource sharing system where unique items are shared around to maximize resources.
- LittleBits kits have finally arrived and will be included in the library's new programming soon.
- History Center – 2nd Photo scanner installed and community members are starting to come and use it. Preservation boxes for historical items and photos are arriving.

Upcoming Events:

- Enchanted Forest – Display setup is Nov. 14, 16 – 18. Public display is the 20th from 12:00 – 8:00 & the 21st from 10:00 – 4:00. Display tear down is Nov. 23 – 25. This is not an auction event this year, so everything will be returned. Beth Gardner volunteered a tree for the event and has basic ornaments for the tree. The library staff can help make some library specific ornaments, such as book art. If any of us have items we'd like to share and have returned, let Daniel know.

Approved Holidays: The board debated on changing the library by-laws to say that the library will observe all holidays that the county observes, instead of stating a specific number. This was unanimously agreed upon and Daniel was assigned to talk with the attorney to make sure a proper draft of the by-law is made to be officially voted upon next board meeting.

FLIP Grant: The library has received the FLIP grant and input has been sought from various sources in the community about what they may be interested in seeing the library host for events. To meet the state library certification benchmark, a library system the size of Duchesne should be hosting 225 events annually (225 events combined from both branches). Last year's report indicates we hosted 150. The three weekly storytimes account for the majority of the events. The major goal of the grant is to initiate monthly events that don't require a lot of sustaining money after the initial purchases. ***Attached to the minutes is the FLIP Grant Draft sent to the state library concerning details of the proposed events.*** They include: Family Movie Night, Lego Club, and LittleBits Club. Major purchases would include: an annual movie license, new chairs for the community room, computer areas and small tables in Roosevelt, concessions machines, including popcorn and cotton candy with the food items, 2 large kits of Legos to supplement donated Legos, and 3 supplemental LittleBits kits to expand the available pieces purchased with the CLEF grant this year.

Collaborative Events: Daniel was asked to find out if collaborative events with other organizations such as the USU extension also count towards the event benchmark.

Roosevelt Library Expansion: A discussion was initiated about an expansion of the Roosevelt Library. Commissioner Todd would like to know what the property boundaries of the library are for such expansion. A community room for programming similar to what Duchesne can currently do would be helpful. An office area separate from the main staff work area, and storage are also needed. This was a more favorable option to the board than a joint venture and budget share with Uintah County on building a new library in Ballard.