

Board Meeting Minutes
Benson Public Library Advisory Board
February 9, 2016

Board Members Present: Marian Buchanan, Janet Hearn, Kathleen Bushman
Cathy Abernathy, and Sr. Assistant Library Director, Kelli Jeter. Absent:
Raymond Taylor
Meeting called to order at 4:05 PM by President, Cathy Abernathy

Call to the Public: Jeannine Lockwood to speak on Library Grants

Consent Agenda:

1. Motion to approve January 12, 2016 Minutes: Approved by Buchanan/Bushman
2. Statistical Report included PC Report for January: Numbers were reviewed and discussed. Total Jan. circulation is up from last year.

Old Business:

1. Areas in Need of Library Grants - Very informative discussion with Jeannine Lockwood. Initial steps to proceed were discussed and a plan was set to continue working on acquiring grants.
2. Library Vacancies - Still need permanent hires for one full position and two part-time in order to open on Saturdays. These hires are already in the budget. DOC would not be appropriate for the library work. Still working on possibility of Community Service assistance.

New Business:

1. County Liaison Report: Board members volunteered to bring treats for the April 13th County Board Meeting in Benson.
2. Librarians Report - Roof repaired on January 7th. Krista Kenyan started conducting 'Beginning Computer' classes. They ran 4 weeks for 5 classes. Requests for more classes have been made. Kelli Jeter participated in a LSTA webinar sponsored by Az. St. Library, Temporary employee, Amanda Burkey, is working out very well. All library employees completed the required Defensive Driving online course.
3. Summer Programs - Scheduled for the last 3 Wed in June. Will have crafts one week, a Juggler and Magician other two weeks.
4. Wednesday Programs - Have begun with Pre-Kindergarten "Get Ready for Kindergarten" class is held on Wed by Pat Doolen and Pre-School comes for 'Storytime' on Thursday.
5. Adult Programs - Feb. 9 with Baxter Black at 11:00. A big success. Next is Dr. Eric Kaldahl of the Amerind Museum on February 16 on "O'odhan History in Southern Arizona", Penny Jewett is on February 23 on "Furniture Refinishing

and Refurbishing". All series are on Tuesdays at 11:00. Will continue at least through May. Krista has flyers available in library.

Future Agenda Items:

1. Library Grants
2. Adult Programs
3. County Report

Meeting adjourned: Motion by Bushman/Buchanan at 5:25 pm.
Next Meeting will be on March 8, 2016

Minutes submitted by Hearn