

Prescott Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes May 20, 2021

Online Meeting via Zoom, Present: Anne Kressly, Pat Knox, Erin Kosmalski, Amy Fiege, Susan Oney

Absent: Jerry Klasen, Carissa Langer

6:46pm Penny Peterson joined Library Board Meeting

Call to Order: Anne Kressly called the meeting to order at 6:36pm with a roll call of Board members confirming that a quorum was present. This meeting is in compliance with the open meeting law.

Agenda: A motion to accept the agenda for May 20, 2021 was made by Erin Kosmalski, seconded by, Amy Fiege, and carried.

Approval of Minutes:

A motion to approve the April 15, 2021 Library Board minutes was made by Pat Knox, seconded by, Erin Kosmalski, and carried.

Public Comment:

- The Library Board will receive public comments on any issue not related to agenda items. Discussion by board members may take place but no action will be taken on any item raised. No public comments as no one outside of the board joined the meeting.

Prescott Public Library Director's Report May 20, 2021

Library Statistics

2021	February	March	April
Total Circulation (Checkouts & Renewals)	2,247	2,741	2,834
Checkins	1,447	1,939	1,910
OverDrive & Freeding Checkouts	796	958	824
Pharos Internet Management	0	34	26
Curbside Interactions	466	412	393
# of people for in-person appointments	28	148	148
Wireless Sessions	357	526	757
Website Visits	3,216	3,407	3,141
New Patrons	5	8	5
New Items	177	134	210

Phone Calls		
	# of Calls*	Total Minutes
February 24-March 23	876	1,390
March 24-April 23	929	1,420

*Includes incoming, outgoing and missed phone calls

*929 calls:

- Incoming: 809
- Outgoing: 95
- Voicemail: 25

Program Updates

April 2021 Programming Statistics

Virtual/Recorded Programs	Live Views	Views on YouTube
Virtual Yoga (April 5 th – YouTube)	n/a	10
Virtual Yoga (April 7 th – YouTube)	n/a	17
Virtual Yoga (April 12 th – YouTube)	n/a	12
Virtual Yoga (April 14 th – YouTube)	n/a	10
Virtual Yoga (April 19 th – YouTube)	n/a	8
Virtual Yoga (April 21 st – YouTube)	n/a	10
Virtual Yoga (April 26 th – YouTube)	n/a	7
Virtual Yoga (April 28 th – YouTube)	n/a	8
Virtual Badger Talk “Gardening with Native Plants” (April 20 th – Live on Zoom, recording on YouTube)	35	18

Self-Directed Programs

April Author Showdown (April 5th – 30th)

- Number of votes (week 1): **12**
- Number of votes (week 2): **16**

- Number of votes (week 3): **10**
- Number of votes (week 4): **11**

Earth-Friendly Art Show (Submissions through April 30th)

- Number of entries: **1**

Ongoing Programs

1,000 Books Before Kindergarten (Relaunched April 5th)

- Number currently enrolled: **41**
- Number of registrations in 2021: **9**
- Number of completions in 2021: **0**

Website Clicks

- Programs page (April 1st – 30th): 453

Summer Reading Program (SRP) Update



June 7-August 31 (for all ages)

Program Reading Goals

- Ages 0-7: read 100 books
- Ages 8-17: read 2,000 minutes
- Ages 18 and up: read 2,000 minutes

Incentives

Participants have the chance to earn two free books and two chances to enter the raffle drawing prizes when they reach the halfway point and complete the challenge.

Ways to Register & Participate

- In-person (paper reading logs)
- Virtually through Beanstack app

Summer Programs

*Programs will be held outside this summer.

- 6/18 at 10:30 a.m.: Books & Benches (with Phipps Center and Freedom Park)
- 6/21 at 11:00 a.m.: Creature Teacher, Tom Peterson (live animals)
- 6/25-6/28: Stuffed Animal Sleepover
- 7/7 at 1:00 p.m.: Sustainable Safari (live animals)
- 7/12 at 6:30 p.m.: Author Pricilla Hampton (virtual)
- Starts 7/13 (post for 2 weeks): Virtual Circus Dogs with Sharon Page
 - 7/20 at 6:30 p.m.: virtual meet and greet
- 7/29 at 3-4p.m.: Community Ed Summer Park Program (activity TBD)
- 8/4 at 11:00 a.m.: Wildlife Science Center presenters (bringing raptor birds)
- 8/23 at 1:00 p.m.: SRP Finale-Isaiah the Magician
- Crafternoons for kids (1-2x/month)
- Teen crafts (1x/month)
- Start date 6/14 Nature Photography Contest for teens/adults
- Online contest for kids (type of contest TBD)
- Outside Storytime (Fridays at 10:00 a.m.)
- Outdoor Bingo (TBD)

Library Updates

Computer move update: The computer stands, initial electrical, and internet cabling have all been completed. We are waiting on some last electrical work and we'll move all the computers over.

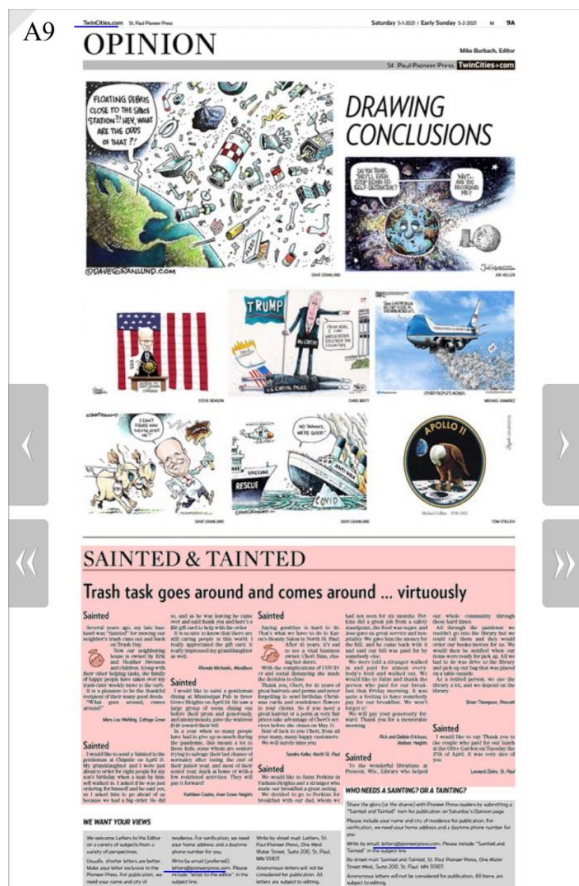


Grants:

I have applied for the Read Africa: Books for Wisconsin Libraries grant offered by UW-Madison's African Studies Program. It provides an opportunity to enrich the collection with new titles that help WI readers deepen their understanding of Africa. This project is supported with federal funding from the U.S. Department of Education Title VI. National Resource Center program, in partnership with the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction's Library Services team. Award decisions will be communicated by May 15.

The Girl Scout Troop has been awarded another grant this year and have reached out to us again about our planters. They will be planting the two closest to the library.

Pioneer Press Recognition from Patron:



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Rick and Debbie Erickson, Vadnais Heights
Sainted

To the wonderful librarians at Prescott, Wis., Library who helped our whole community through these hard times.

All through the pandemic we couldn't go into the library but we could call them and they would order our books/movies for us. We would then be notified when our items were ready for pick up. All we had to do was drive to the library and pick up our bag that was placed on a table outside.

As a retired person, we use the library a lot, and we depend on the library.

Brian Thompson, Prescott
Sainted

I would like to say Thank you to the couple who paid for our lunch at the Olive Garden on Tuesday the 27th of April. It was very nice of you.

Leonard Dolny, St. Paul

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Directors Report:

A motion to approve the Director's Report was made by Amy Fiege, seconded by Erin Kosmalski, put to board to vote, the motion passed unanimously, and carried.

Financial Report:

A motion to approve the presented paid bills was made by Amy Fiege, seconded by Penny Peterson, put to board to vote, the motion passed unanimously, and carried.

Welcome new board member/City Council Representative, Pat Knox to the Library Board

Action on moving date of July Library Board meeting- A motion to change the date of the July Library Board meeting to July 29, 2021 was made by Penny Peterson, seconded by Amy Fiege, put to board to vote, the motion passed unanimously, and carried.

Treasurers Report: \$4847.61

Issues and assignments for July 29, 2021 Board meeting:

None assigned at this time

Adjourn: A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:12pm was made by Penny Peterson, seconded by Amy Fiege, put to board to vote, the motion passed unanimously, and carried.

Next Meeting: Thursday, July 29, 2021, 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Susan Oney

