

Call to Order**Approval of Wednesday, April 3, 2019 Minutes****Agenda Items**

1. Library Report
 - a. Bentonville GeekCon – Saturday, May 4 @ 9 AM – 2 PM, full report by Heather Hays
 - b. Library Café RFP
 - i. Closed without responses
 - ii. Gathering feedback from café providers
 - iii. Re-issue new RFP in few weeks
 - c. Shelving expansion project and collection shift is complete
 - i. This expansion was 414 shelves, a 10% growth
 - ii. October 2006, installed 4,104 steel shelves
 1. Existing layout was planned for growth – able to absorb more than 12 years of growth 120%; 65,266 items to 143,760 items
 2. Making best use of available SF w/in library – less generous aisle space, w/ ADA compliance.
 - iii. TOTAL PROJECT COST = \$23,500
 1. All steel shelving components
 2. Special pricing contract option that was available to our library at 65% off list price of product material, plus tax, shipping and installation.
 3. And, four custom maple wood end-panels to match existing panels – pending installation.
 - iv. Encourage LAB walk-through to see changes.
 - d. BPL Summer Reading Program
 - i. Theme: A Universe of Stories
 - ii. Important Dates:
 1. 5/4/19 begin registration
 2. 6/3/19 program begins, start logging hours
 3. 7/27/19 last day to log hours
 - iii. Full report pending from Sue Ann Pekel at June meeting
 - e. Thinking Money for Kids traveling exhibit scheduled for April 2021 at BPL
 - f. Exciting announcement: Sue Ann Pekel is ALA 2019 Winner of Sullivan Award
 - i. The Peggy Sullivan Award for Public Library Administrators Supporting Services to Children presented by the American Library Association.
 - ii. It is presented annually to individual in a library administrator role who has shown exceptional understanding and support of public library service to children.
 - iii. The award will be given to Pekel at the ALA President's Program, Sunday, June 23, at the ALA Annual Conference in Washington, D.C.
 1. Portion of Pekel's travel will be paid by the ALA for her participation in both Thinking Money for Kids training and award ceremony.
 - g. Strategic planning process - patron online survey summary pending for group review.

- i. A LOT of feedback (775+ responses; 2235+ comments/open-ended answers); staff currently reviewing responses for conclusive data to support library plan (large volume of open comments; some conflicting and unclear information).
 - 1. Generally, patrons want: a café; more books, more ebooks, more audiobooks and series fill-ins, plus more programs for all ages.
Responses include some good suggestions that we may be able to move forward.
 - h. Library personnel update
 - i. Two new PT staff began training April 2
 - ii. One vacancy posted last week: Mon-Thurs 4-830 PM (PT/18 hours/week)
- 2. Friends of the Library Report
 - 3. Library Foundation Report

Next meeting: Wednesday, June 5, 2019 at 1 PM in Haney Family Conference Room.

Adjournment

Attachment: Bentonville GeekCon Schedule of Events