

# Smithfield Public Library

## Board Meeting

March 15, 2017

**Attending:** Marilyn Benavides, Holly Jones, Julie Marshall, Michelle Thompson, Angela Gibbons, Eric , Randy Cluff, Bill Emmett, Mike Neilson, Kris Monson.

**Welcome:** Mike Neilson welcomed board members. Minutes from the February 15, 2017 Library Board Meeting were approved.

**Parking:** The parking situation has improved since more signs were put up reserving spots for library patrons. However, when the school has a program, there are still many attending the school event who park in the library lot. Librarians can call the police to enforce the parking rules.

**Bathrooms:** Angela Gibbons suggested a lidded garbage be put in the restrooms for diapers. Currently, someone with small children would have to take the diaper, children, etc. outside and across the parking lot to put a diaper in an outside garbage can.

**Summer Reading Program:** Theme is “Build a Better World”. Program will run from June 5<sup>th</sup> to July 31, for all ages. Library Board members are asked to request donations from local businesses for prizes. Books will be purchased for prizes for the children participating.

**Blind Date with a Book:** This was a popular program, with over 150 books checked out and 88 people reading the book and entering their names for a prize. 22 prizes were given out, including Bluebird candy, flowers from Lee’s, and a grand prize of dinner from Callaways.

**Cache Valley Civic Ballet visit:** About 75 people attended this event, with some of the children dressing up. Parts of “Cinderella” were performed.

**Staff Emergency Training with the Fire Department:** Fire Dept. personnel came to teach library staff what to do or not do in emergency situations. This will be done in April as well.

**Wall damage in Teen Area:** Someone poked numerous small holes in the wall in the Teen Area, which will need to be repaired. The possible purchase of a surveillance camera system for the library was discussed and recommended.

**Health Days participation:** Parade will be on Main Street again. Kris Monson will check to see if the big library sign is available in the City Offices. Mike Neilson will ask "Somebody's Attic" if they will donate 50-60 books to be given away. Library board members will hand out bookmarks with candy on them at the parade. Some bookmarks will say the person can come to the library to receive a prize (book). It was suggested that the bookmarks could include lists of "Top Ten Teen Books", etc. Michelle Thompson will check with Northridge Rental about using book character costumes for the parade.

It was noted that Eloise Toolson, a longtime library patron, passed away today.

**Library Board Secretary:** Julie Marshall, currently serving as board secretary, has finished her two terms on the Library Board, and was thanked and given a book and a video of the Library Open House program from 2015. A new board secretary will be chosen at the April board meeting.

**Patio Programs:** It was suggested that Marty Reeder, a local teacher and author, might be a good person to invite to read at a Patio Program this summer. Michelle Thompson will talk to Heather Housley about this idea. It was also suggested that inviting a vendor to bring a hot dog, popcorn, cotton candy or snow cone stand might be a good idea. 100 to 150 people attend the most popular patio programs.