

Smithfield Public Library
Board Meeting
March 20, 2019, 7 pm

Attending: Marilyn Benavides, April Godderidge, Todd Durrant, Holly Jones, Michelle Thompson, Eric Bingham, Bill Emmett, Jamie Anderson, and Angela Gibbons.

Welcome: Bill Emmett welcomed board members, and the minutes from the February 20, 2019 library board meeting were approved.

Blind Date with a Book: This program was a big hit again this year. Over 100 people participated, and more than 60 submitted their names to win prizes. Leslie Clark won the grand prize of dinner for two. She was very grateful and sent a nice thank you card to the library staff.

Fathering with Love & Logic workshop: This program has been successful. 10 men are participating and there are two sessions left. A parenting workshop for mothers and fathers will hopefully be held in the fall.

Review Smithfield Public Library Policy: The board was asked to review this policy and be prepared with any suggestions or changes to it at our next meeting.

Policy for telescope checkout: The telescope is ready for checkout and the policy was approved by the board.

Star Party: April 10, at 8pm. Everyone is invited to attend. Bring your telescopes, binoculars, and blankets for a night of fun. James Somers from the Astrological Society will be there.

Summer Reading: This program will begin on June 3 and run through July. There will be a program for children, teens, and adults. The theme is "A Universe of Stories".

Health Days Parade: May 11, 2019. Michelle Thompson will bring her Star Wars costumes to our next meeting.

Misc.: The CLEF grant will be used for upgrading the card catalogs, purchasing a new circulation computer, purchasing books on coding, adding to the collection of space and star books, and adding to the teen library collection. The shelving for the children's library has been ordered.

City Council Report: No news from the City Council.