Smithfield Public Library
Board Meeting
January 15, 2020, 7 pm

Attending: Marilyn Benavides, Todd Durrant, April Godderidge, Holly Jones, Eric Bingham, Michelle Thompson, Bill Emmett, and Wade Campbell.

Welcome: Bill welcomed board members and introduced Wade Campbell who is our new city council member. The minutes from the October 16, 2019 library board meeting were approved.

Review of events of the last two months held at the library: In November, patrons could pay their overdue book fines with nonperishable food. The library collected five boxes of food and donated them to the Smithfield food bank for senior citizens. In December, about 100 kids came to meet Santa.

Blind Date with a Book starting February 3rd: This program will run through Valentines Day. Grand prize will be dinner for two. A box of chocolates will also be given as a prize.

Inventorying Children’s section: The library is in the process of inventorying the Children’s books. Books that are in bad shape will be taken out.

Changes with Overdrive cost: The cost for our library to use Overdrive will be going up this year. The cost will be based on how many patrons are using it. The cost will be $961 and needs to be paid by July 1st.

Non-resident yearly fee: Non-residents pay $5/year for an individual and $10/year for families. Marilyn asked the board to think about raising the fee and discuss it in our next meeting.

Review of Donation Policy: Marilyn asked the board members to review the current donation policy and come to our next meeting with suggestions for changes to it.

Misc: Lori Emmett and Darrell Simmons attended the board meeting on behalf of Cache Valley Bank in Smithfield and presented us with a check for $10,000. Marilyn informed the board members that Lana Robinson, a former board member, recently passed away. Miss Karen had back surgery and has been recovering this past month. Jeanne Doxsee is filling in for her until she is fully recovered. Alltech gave information to the library staff about being careful with technology and staying safe from scammers.

City Council Report: No news from the City Council.