

Smithfield Public Library
Board Meeting
October 16, 2019, 7 pm

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

Welcome: Marilyn welcomed board members, and the minutes from the September 18, 2019 library board meeting were approved.

Annual Statistical Report 2019: Over 32,000 printed material was checked out this year. Library patrons have access to over 56,000 eBooks. The library has 1,100 audio books and 947 CD's. Smithfield City Library patrons downloaded over 28,000 eBooks this year. The total circulation of printed books, eBooks, CD's, and audio books for the year was 116,999. That is up 14,000 from last year. 55,000 adults, teens, and children visited the library this year. There are 3,825 registered patrons. Patrons signed in for 5,640 sessions on the 15 computers available in the library. There were 14,334 hits on the wireless internet, and 12,447 hits on the library's website. There were 270 programs carried out this year with a total attendance of 5,976. 217 were children's programs with 5,020 attendance. 53 were young adult programs with 956 total attendance.

Code of Conduct for Patrons: A code of conduct was submitted to the board to look at and make suggestions on.

Adult Volunteer Service application review: Marilyn brought up the idea of doing background checks on the people who volunteer at the library. The board members felt like this was a good idea. Jamie will check with the Chief of Police to find out more information about it and how much it would cost.

Santa's annual Library Visit: Santa's visit to the library is scheduled for December 9, 2019. Mike Neilson will be donating candy canes.

Library Collection: There is a need for some sex ed books in the library. Karen purchased one that had very high reviews. The board looked through it and decided that the pictures in it may offend some people. Marilyn will look for another option. The board thought that it would be a good idea to keep the book off the shelves, but to have it available if someone ask for it. They could look through it before they checked it out to make sure it is appropriate for their child.

Food for Fines November 11th – 23rd: Patrons can bring in cans of food to pay off their fines. The food will be donated to the food bank.

Misc: The Smithfield Public Library was recognized as a Quality Library this year. We are one of nine libraries in the state of Utah to earn this award. The awards will be framed and hung on the wall for all to see!

City Council Report: No news from the City Council.