

Collegedale Public Library

Board Meeting

Thursday October 8, 2024

Members present: Stan Cottrell, Chris Dortch, Christina Henderson, Karon Powell, Jennifer Mullins, and Kevin Kibble (Chair)

Also present: Katie Lamb (City Commissioner) Regina Mullins (Library Director) and Sarah Richardson (Assistant Library Director)

Approval of Minutes: Minutes from July 9, 2024 board meeting were reviewed and approved via unanimous vote

Friends of Collegedale Library Report (FOCPL):

Sarah presented the FOCPL report which highlighted:

- Friends of the Library membership is currently at 58
- There was a membership drive with a raffle that added 20 new members
- Waitlist for the Zoo pass. Funding received for a second pass (\$250 dollars annually). There are currently 50 patrons on the waitlist.
- Scholastic Books \$1385.89 Summer Reading
- Sponsorship of Libby costs \$2905 annually
 - \$1,000 for maintenance
 - \$1905 for content
- Library patron donated a beautiful transportation quilt to be raffled
- FOCPL hosted their final two author talks of the year
 - Miranda Smith- 60 in attendance
 - Tyler Boyd- 12-15 in attendance
- Hosted a Murder Mystery event in partnership with Collegedale Parks and Rec
 - 30 adults and 12 children in attendance
- Purchased a new Free Little Library for \$389.95
 - Composite material with two stories for books
 - Waiting on final placement after Imagination Station upgrades
- Annual holiday book sale is scheduled from December 14-28
 - Volunteers needed

Quarterly Library Report:

Regina presented the quarterly library report which included the following:

- *Statistics at a Glance:*
 - 37,094 materials in physical circulation from July to September 2024
 - 14,514 materials in electronic circulation from July to September 2024
 - 95 library programs executed from July to September 2024
 - 2,765 attendance for programs held between July to September 2024
 - 19,133 library visits occurred between July to September 2024
 - 1,229 computer usages from July to September 2024
- *Highlights:*
 - New Therapy Dog
 - 1,000 Books before kindergarten
- *Library Update*
 - New software installed called Comprise. Will allow for remote printing.
 - Summer reading programs
 - At approximately 50% which is the benchmark we strive to achieve.
 - \$13,626 in donations from 73 partners
 - Narnia themed escape room scheduled for Sunday 10/13 and Monday 10/14.
 - All spots filled for participation in escape room

Collegedale Commission Report

- Working on filling entries for Christmas parade scheduled for December 8 at 3pm along University Dr.
- New parking lot for the Commons on Ooltewah/Ringgold Rd.
- Remodeling of Imagination Station
 - Plans to rehome handprints
- National Night Out- Collegedale Police
 - 10/17 from 5:30-8:30pm
- 11/15- Collegedale Early Voting at Chestnut Hall
- Little Debby zip line is broken and being replaced
- Commission sharing reminders that the pavilion must be reserved for events.
- The Collegedale Public Library was voted and approved to be renamed the Katie Lamb Public Library in recognition of her dedication to the public library and the City of Collegedale.

- This is Katie's last meeting with the board. The mayor will appoint a new commissioner to be represented at our meetings.
- Remodel of the library is scheduled for March and April. Plan to be closed for months. Temporary library services will be shifted.

Review request to remove *The Bare Naked Body* by Kathy Stinson

Board reviewed the book and current shelving/access to the book.

Recommendation to leave book where it currently is.

Voting:

Chris- keep

Christine- keep

Karon- keep

Stan- keep

Katie- keep

Jennifer- keep

Vote was unanimous in support of leaving the book.

New Business

None

Adjourned: 7:42pm

Next meeting January 7, 2025 7:00pm