

Van Alstyne Public Library

Board Meeting Minutes: November 7, 2017

6:00pm - Van Alstyne Public Library

Board Members:

Present: Vicky Cupit, Monica Herrera, Robert Jaska, Emily Kendrick, Rick Whiteside, Rodney Williams, Debe Wyatt

Quorum present? Yes

Others Present:

Library Director: Judy Kimzey

Proceedings:

Meeting called to order at 6:03 p.m. by President, Vicky Cupit

· Reading and approval of October 2017 minutes:

October's meeting minutes were distributed and reviewed. MOTION to approve minutes with no corrections by R. Williams, Second D. Wyatt. Approved unanimously by board.

Librarian's Report:

- Monthly statistics and library events for the month of October 2017 were reviewed. See attached.
- Of Special Note: Board members Vicky Cupit and Debe Wyatt were thanked for volunteering their time to decorate the library for the fall season.

Regular Agenda Items:

-Review board member guidelines and responsibilities: After discussion of a recent library personnel issue, the Texas State Library Association's *Library Advisory Board Requirements* were reviewed. The section on complaints about a library employee were read aloud.

-Discuss and take action on Library Board bylaws and ordinance: Current versions of the Van Alstyne Public Library's bylaws and ordinance were distributed and reviewed. Library Director Kimzey suggested that in order to effectively edit these documents a more detailed plan is needed. MOTION to table taking action on revising the bylaws and ordinance. (D. Wyatt.) Second R. Whiteside and R. Williams. Board approved unanimously.

- *Discuss and take action on Library Board bylaws and ordinance in regards to Library Board member term limits:* Vice President Williams shared information on how other city boards in Van Alstyne handle term limits. A round table discussion was held involving each board member stating the pros and cons of amending the term limit section of the library's ordinance.

-The updated wording for the term limit ordinance was created and is as follows:

"All appointments to the board shall not exceed three consecutive two-year terms. Four members shall be appointed in even-numbered years, and three members shall be appointed during odd-numbered years for the two-year terms. In the event that no applications are received at the end of the board member's third term, the member may continue to serve at the board's discretion."

-MOTION to approve the revised term limit ordinance as read by Secretary Kendrick (R. Williams); seconded (R. Whiteside), and passed unanimously.

Closing Comments:

- Debe Wyatt shared her idea for a Christmas appreciation gathering in honor of the Van Alstyne Friends of the Library. Since there is already a Christmas party scheduled, Rodney Williams suggested bringing refreshments to a Friends of the Library regular meeting. This idea will be revisited in January.

-Vicky Cupit reminded the board that there will be an influx of new residents to Van Alstyne soon, and this is a great opportunity to spread the word about the VAPL's programs and services.

-Judy Kimzey reminded the board that we are on hiatus for December, and our next meeting will be the first Tuesday of January, 2018.

Meeting Adjourned: 7:11 p.m. (MOTION: D. Wyatt, Second: R. Williams) Board approved.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Secretary, Emily Kendrick