

Van Alstyne Public Library

Board Meeting Minutes
February 7, 2023 – 5:30 p.m.
Van Alstyne Public Library
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Board Members:

Present: Diane Windsor, Whitney Holmes, Angelica Peña, Michelle Rodgers, Emily Burk, Sarah Macias

Not Present: Dusty Williams, Judy Kimzey

Quorum present? Yes

Others Present:

Assistant Library Director: Alisha Crump

Proceedings:

Call to order: 5:32 p.m.

Business:

1. Approval of meeting minutes: MOTION to approve November 2022 minutes. M. Rodgers, Second, W. Holmes ALL IN FAVOR.
2. Raising Community Awareness

The Library and Library Board would like to continue with our efforts to raise community awareness when it comes to services and programs provided by the Library. We'd like to focus on a partnership with the Van Alstyne ISD and the City of Van Alstyne. It would be good to make this a priority for the new year.

Three subcommittees:

- a. ISD/School Outreach
 - i. Michelle Rodgers
 - ii. Emily Burk

March Book Madness participation – 37 books that have been circulated 36 times. There is also a display for Black History Month.

Virtual participation with ISD.

The Library will start an account on TikTok – this will help reach out to younger population, and connect with a new demographic. A Library in Milwaukee posts a lot of fun videos. It would be great to have Board members participating.

Quilting demonstration is not happening at this time.

- b. City Council/Governing Body
 - i. Sarah Macias
 - ii. Angelica Peña
 - iii. Dusty Williams

No new events.

- c. Events; City and Otherwise
 - i. Whitney Holmes
 - ii. Diane Windsor

Several questions regarding Library participation were raised:

- Will the Library be involved in the 150 year celebration for the city?
- Will there be a celebration, or will it take place in conjunction with Fall Der All?

3. 2023 Task List

Policy – There are 11 subsections that haven't been reviewed or updated. These include Patron Services and Computer Policies. The Board will review these in 2023.

4. Librarian's report: Items of note:

- a. Door count increased
- b. Circulation increased
- c. New patrons increased

The question was raised about whether or not we should we should start asking how new patrons heard about the library.

Closing comments:

1. Diane mentioned the idea of having a story contest and publishing the selected stories in a book. Stories would need to have a tie-in to Van Alstyne. Maybe sponsored by the Library with support from the schools.

Meeting Adjourned: 6:10 pm MOTION to adjourn. S. Macias. Second, M. Rodgers ALL IN FAVOR.

*Minutes respectfully submitted by
Secretary, Diane Windsor*