

Van Alstyne Public Library

Board Meeting Minutes
November 1, 2022 – 5:30 p.m.
Van Alstyne Public Library
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Board Members:

Present: Diane Windsor, Whitney Holmes, Angelica Peña, Dusty Williams, Michelle Rodgers, Emily Burk

Not Present: Sarah Macias

Quorum present? Yes

Others Present:

Library Director: Judy Kimzey, Alisha Crump

Proceedings:

Call to order: 5:33 p.m.

Business:

1. Approval of meeting minutes: MOTION to approve October 2022 minutes. W. Holmes, Second, D. Williams ALL IN FAVOR.
2. Welcome new Board member, Emily Burk
3. 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

Tori Decker (Van Alstyne ISD) reached out to the Library regarding ESL efforts. There are many people moving into the area, and ESL does not only cover Spanish anymore, but many other languages. We are hoping to work together to provide ESL resources to Van Alstyne.

We'll also try to have Library events included in school newsletters/calendars.

100 Step Challenge is a program that the schools participate in, and we want to help students with this and other programs. We applied for the Texas Book Festival Grant, and now we have juvenile and young adult non-fiction. The Reading Director for the Van Alstyne ISD (Rebecca Demel) also reached out to collaborate.

- 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

The Library will have Santa's Workshop as part of Christmas Town on December 17 in the evening.

4. Librarian's report: Items of note:

- a. Door counter fixed.
- b. Circulation dropped a bit.
- c. New patrons dropped a bit. This is a seasonal slow time.
- d. Friends of the Library had a successful Book Fair.
- e. Welcome Alisha Crump as the Assistant Library Director.
- f. The Library had a booth at Fall Der All and it was very busy.
- g. We need to decorate the Library for the holidays. Michelle and Whitney will try to find the name of the woman who decorates city windows for free.

Closing comments:

- 1. Emily told us about The Pleasant Hill Quilters that might be a good fit for Black History Month.

Meeting Adjourned: 6:38 pm MOTION to adjourn. A. Peña. Second, M. Rodgers ALL IN FAVOR.

*Minutes respectfully submitted by
Secretary, Diane Windsor*