

**Van Alstyne Library Board Meeting**  
**117 N Waco St, Van Alstyne, TX 75495**  
**March 1, 2016**

**Present:** Vicky Cupit, Kyrie Nobles, Audrey Slack, Judy Kimzey, and Rodney Williams

**Absent:** Deja James, Robert Jaska, and Martha Whitfield

**Guest:** Shirley Houx, Larry Cooper, and Arnold Barrett

**Call to order:** Rodney Williams called the meeting to order at 6:07pm

**Minutes:** Approval of February minutes were pushed to the next meeting. Kyrie was absent in February and Vicky Cupit took notes, but did not get them typed up.

**Librarian Report:** Judy Kimzey gave her March report to the board (See Attached)

**New Business:** None

**Old Business:** Policy governing money donated and given in memoriam to the Friends of the Library.

The Van Alstyne Friends of the Library requested that the “Major Gift” section of the policy be stricken, feeling that the statement was too broad. What is considered a “Major Gift” was the big discussion. The board discussed adding a \$5,000 to the policy, but it was discussed in some cases this would require us to possibly have things appraised.

We discussed having Judy Kimzey check with the City to see if there were any policy already in existence governing donations or gifts.

Vicky Cupit suggested talking with the City of Whitewright about their policy as she had recalled they had been through this before in the past.

The board discussed that if the City does in fact have a policy pertaining to major gifts that we would be required to follow the cities policy regardless.

Kyrie Nobles made a motion to remove the “Major Gift” section completely from the policy; Rodney Williams seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**General Discussion:**

Larry Cooper thanked us for having him and the importance of the Library to the community.

Judy Kimzey talked about the importance of Libraries not only in our community but in today’s society. Larry brought up the fact that communities who have great Libraries typically as well have great school and the kids in those communities grow up to be well educated adults.

Judy Kimzey discussed the handbook for Librarians – She and Rodney will be going through the book to see what other Library Boards are doing in other towns and what they do to assist the Library. They will bring certain sections of the book back to the board to see what other ways we can help out. Judy as well expressed her appreciation for the Library Board getting more

involved in the Friends of the Library.

Rodney Williams adjourned the meeting at 6:55pm

These minutes were respectively taken by Kyrie Nobles on 3/1/16