



## Library Board Meeting

### February 19, 2020 5:00 pm

- I. Call to Order
  - Minutes of the previous meeting
  - Financial Report
  - Director's update
- II. Business
  - Public Library Annual Report
  - Statement concerning public library system effectiveness.
- III. Closing
  - Concerns and Comments
  - Next meeting date
  - Adjournment

The Owen Library Board met at 5 pm on Wednesday, January 15, 2020 with Lorelee Petersen, Nancy Garrett, Roxana Reitz, Charlie Milliren, Jeffer Scheuer, and Debra Smith in attendance. The minutes of the October 23 meeting were read and approved (MMSC Roxana/Charlie).

The financial report was read and approved (MMSC Charlie and Nancy)

The Director's report was next given. Lorelee went over what took place in 2019 and is focused on looking at future plans. The Library Future Committee consists of Jeffer, Roxana and Sally, with others invited as well. It is hoped to begin meetings in March for this group.

Under upcoming events we are hoping to add a Straw Bale Gardening presentation by Pat Eloranta on April 7th (tentative date)

The Summer reading program: For the reading challenges, Lorelee is planning events centered on Alice in Wonderland.

We have acquired some new technology: new fax machine, new phones, a new label printer and a new scanner. The scanner can be used with photo albums, slides and negatives.

The next meeting will be Wednesday, February 19th at 5 pm.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:25 (MMSC Nancy/Charlie)

## Director's Report

### Upcoming Events

- March 5 - Child Development Day
- April 4 - Owen Business Expo - we have tentatively lined up a local self-published business man for a book signing.
- April 7 (tentative) Straw Bale Gardening presentation by Pat Eloranta.
- April 19-25 - National Library Week
- April 25-26 - Spring Into the Arts - We're hosting Dustin Fredrick again.

### Summer Reading

- I have talked to Lance Batchelor about the library doing a class on graphic novels for summer school. He referred me to Katie Hatlestad and I sent her an email. Hopefully I will get more information soon on that.
- At a recent Downtown Revitalization Committee meeting, committee members were putting out ideas on how to do more with the farmer's market. I volunteered the library for a once a month storytime at the market. The market runs from late May through October so we could have Summer and August storytimes.

### Misc.

- Weeding of reference materials. I'm hoping to get rid of most items published before 2000. Wisconsin has a site with digital copies of the Wisconsin Blue Book going back to the 1880's. <http://digicoll.library.wisc.edu/cgi-bin/WI/WI-idx?type=browse&scope=WI.WIBlueBks>
- Still working on the futures committee agenda. Upon further review I decided some of the topics I wanted to cover did not need opinions from a committee. I'm trying to separate what can be my decision, what should be the board's decision and what we might need larger input on.