

Library Board Meeting June 5, 2019 10:00 am

- I. Call to Order
 - Minutes of the previous meeting
 - o Financial Report
- II. Business
 - o Butterfly Garden
 - o Authors at Owen Jr. Fair
 - o Oz Party
 - o Fall Sneak Peek

III. Closing

- Concerns and Comments
- Next meeting date
- o Adjournment

April Minutes

The Owen Public Library met on April 17, 2019 at 5 PM. Present were Debra Smith, Jeffer Scheuer, Nancy Garrett, Loralee Petersen, Roxana Reitz, Sally Martine and Mike Ojanpera.

The financial report was first on the agenda, due to computer problems. The report was read and approved after various questions. (MMSC OJ/Sally)

The minutes of the Feb. meeting were finally read and approved, after a few questions. (MMSC Roxana/Nancy).

Under business – Debra, President, and Jeffer, Secretary, are up for reappointment and were approved at the Owen City Council meeting; they will continue in their present positions, and Roxana will take over the VP position previously held by Jan Stommes. (MMSC OJ/Sally)

The Summer Library plans are in full swing – a butterfly garden will be installed in the front of the building around the light pole, thanks to Growin' Owen. The preliminary work will be done during Community Service day May 15th, with the House of Friends kids planting the following week. For the Owen Fair, we will have three authors. In August the Ozma Birthday party is in the plans, in conjunction with the ShowCase Players. Loralee is looking for more ways to get more teens into the library. Perhaps write and create night, or a game night. Having a teen liaison would be a boon to our facility. Several names were suggested and they will be contacted.

The Director's report was next, talking about summer plans, library collection maintenance, and future plans for the facility, as well as items that Loralee feels we are falling short with.

The next meeting will be held on June 5th at 10 AM.

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 6 PM (MMSC Sally/Jeffer)

Director's Report

- 1. Butterfly Garden The weather has not been cooperating with us on this one. It was too wet to work the ground up until after school got out so we lost our child helpers. Luckily I got a call from Linda Barna, who is looking for some volunteer hours to complete her master gardener certification. And she has friends who are doing the same thing. Either they will get the garden planted or we will have to shelve this project until next year.
- 2. Authors at Owen Jr. Fair Authors for the Owen Jr. Fair are confirmed. They will be at the Old School on Saturday, June 29 from 10-1:00. Please stop by and visit with them.
- 3. Oz Party The ball is rolling for our major summer event. Please attend the meeting on July 12 at 7:00 pm if you'd like to help. Your talents are needed!
- 4. Fall Sneak Peek
 - a. September Food for Fines month
 - b. October It looks like ShowCase Players may be taking charge of our Reader's Theater and taking it on the road to multiple libraries. Instead the library may host a "trunk or treat" event. If the Downtown Revitalization Committee is interested, we may have businesses sponsor cars, which will be decorated. Representatives will hand out candy to children during trick or treat hours
 - c. November Read the Shelves party maybe? The idea is to have enough qualified volunteers to dust and make sure all our books are in order in a reasonable amount of time and then eat pizza.
 - d. December Jaycees Santa Day
- 5. Movie license The Downtown Revitalization Committee would like to show movies at the library. We are looking into getting a license as long as the city approves b/c it isn't in our budget and working with them on this project.