

**City of Alamosa**  
**Alamosa Public Library Board**  
Board of Trustees Regular Meeting Minutes  
January 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2019  
**5:30pm**

**I. Roll Call**

Present: Kelley Baily, Laura Bruneau, Patty Campbell, Dawn Krebs, Mandy Wilner.  
Staff: Andy Rice and Salai Taylor. Absent: Kristina Daniel and Mary Walsh.

**II. Agenda Approval**

Laura moved to approve the agenda, seconded by Dawn; vote was unanimous.

**III. Approval of Minutes**

Laura moved to approve the November minutes, seconded by Patty; vote was unanimous.

**IV. Public Comment (none)**

**V. Policy Discussion (none)**

**VI. Update on Current Programs/Items**

**a. Library Manager Reports November-December 2018**

Salai went over the monthly stats for November and December. She pointed out that TumbleBooks was canceled in October due to the low use over 3 years. The library eliminated 7,000 unused and lost items, deducting fees by \$1,000. Even with the computer lab down from Oct. 28<sup>th</sup>-Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>, average check outs were up 10% from October and only 5% lower than November last year. For the National Novel Writing Month, the library provided the Local History room for 4 writers to come and write together. Moose had 7 students from Crestone Charter School come on Nov. 7<sup>th</sup> with 5 readings and 6 readers on Nov. 28<sup>th</sup>. Laura said the students found out about Moose through a newspaper clipping that someone brought in.

The Friends of the Library put in a new book, "Mouse Mess," in the Story Walk at Cole Park. They are now trying to figure out how to handle the increase of books being donated. Mandy thought that the sudden increase could be due to Netflix's new show "Tiding Up" which recommends having no more than 30 books in the household. The FOTL will have the Literary and Art Collections Book Reception Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> at 7pm. The book contains work from 60+ authors and artists. Patty asked about prizes and Dawn said there will be cash awards. Salai said the event will last about an hour and a half. Patty asked how many they printed and Salai reported 150 books this year.

**b. Children's Librarian Reports November-December 2018**

The number of kids attending Storytime has increased, sending staff into talks about splitting the time into two groups. During the ECC Connections Family Night, 21 kids and 20 adults attended to focus on "Math Talk." Kelley Ivers, who

runs the Hands on History, will keep Holly posted on possible continued funding to keep the program running. Dawn asked how much she is looking for; they could probably use this as a fundraising opportunity for the FOTL. Salai mentioned the “Grow Your Library” book grant and Storytime Event. Gary and Tina Mlodzik will be coming through Alamosa in May and would like to donate 6 boxes of books. Holly is also looking at moving the regular 10:45 library Storytime session to First Southwest Bank’s lobby next year for the their Holiday Open House.

**VII. Programs/Items**

**a. Moose Party Update**

Moose’s party was December 19<sup>th</sup> from 5-7pm. The library had different stations for kids to participate in coloring bookmarks, origami, story book making, holiday card making, and of course readings with Moose. Hot chocolate and cookies were served and 5 books were given away in a raffle. Kids were able to make cards for dogs and volunteers at the shelter and Holly even got some photos of the dogs available for adoption. Salai noted that it was good to have City Council members in attendance to kick off the party.

**b. Library Book Bingo**

Salai introduced Library Book Bingo, a bingo card with different genres of books in different orders. Anyone can play and there are four ways to win by reading the books and crossing off the box in which it corresponds. If you complete one of the designs, you can win a free book; complete the whole card to win two books. There is also a second page in which you can recommend one of the books you read to others.

**VIII. Board Comment**

Laura and Patty reminded the board that their appointments would expire soon and they would need to find new board members. The board discussed potential members that would be interested. Kelley asked about the language to post on Facebook and Andy said she could get that from Holly. Patty suggested posting it in the Valley Courier and putting something up at the book store. Andy mentioned that mailing them out on water bills is very competitive and they should meet with IT to put up board openings on the website. Dawn recommended advertising it at the reception.

**IX. Adjournment**

The board voted unanimously to adjourn. The next regularly scheduled meeting is March 26, 2019 at 5:30pm.