

Library Advisory Committee Minutes
City of Dunedin, FL - Library
223 Douglas Ave.
Dunedin, FL 34698
December 2, 2019

PRESENT: Layle Kremske, Margaret DeLargy, Patricia Menduni, Bernard Ouimet, June Korak, Jennifer Haber, Patricia Long and Phyllis Gorshe, Library Director

Michelle Uvieghara as DYV Representative

Excused Absence: Janice DeCandillo, Donna Moore

Layle opened the meeting at 5:59 pm

Motion for approval of the minutes of the previous meeting was by Bernie Ouimet, seconded by Margaret Delargy. Unanimous approval.

DUNEDIN YOUTH VOLUNTEERS: Michelle Uvieghara, representing Dunedin Youth Volunteers, reported that due to the holidays, not as many regular events will be scheduled. Planned are:

12/4 Santa Sing-a-long. 70 preschoolers are expected. The event will include face painting and kids' music.

12/9 National Llama Appreciation Day. Holiday paintings are planned.

Holiday Parade: Vehicle will be decorated as a llama. The DYV received a donation of a cookie jar from Publix. There will be a trivia contest with the cookie jar as a surprise.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY: Christmas product put out after Halloween; sales are going well. Christmas cards are not moving quickly. The Friends are getting ready for the February SALE. Layle showed a rendering of the new storefront for the Bookstore which will be installed after January 1, 2020.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: December programs are sold out. 12/18 will be the Florida Suncoast Chorus; 12/31 New Year's Eve party/Movie Night. 75 tickets sold out. There will be a Red Carpet, sparkling cider and a New Year's toast.

The Library Foundation gave the Library new audio visual upgrades including two new screens that can be used in tandem or in a separate events; wireless equipment for presenters which makes presentations so much easier; automatic black-out shades

The Library announced December hours: The Library will close at 4 pm 12/24 and at 2pm 12/31. It will be closed December 25 and 26, and January 1.

The new Senior Librarian is Kerry *Morell*?. She came to the Library from St. Petersburg College.

Treshana ?, library assistant, is leaving following the award of her MS degree. The position is being advertised on line, along with two part time aide positions @ \$9.68/hr. A library assistant works the circulation desk and computer system; Library aides do mainly shelving books and setting up meetings. Phyllis is planning an author visit in March, 2020.

2020 City program support includes painting the building and paving the parking lot after Spring Training.

The Library Strategic Plan expires in 10/20.

In January Phyllis will have the final draft of the Survey. Suggestions for the survey included: make it short; include open-ended questions; add optional age listing; add a "Chance to Win a Gift Certificate"

(consider asking Friends of the Library for support); add notice to all email sent from the Library; add to the Water bills, front page of the City website, update from the City Manager, at the City table at the Market; stuff notices in books

The Library sees the most usage of Overdrive, Hoopla, Kanopy, NY Times

There are no applicants for the Alternate Position on the Committee.

Phyllis noted that the Branch Library has been open since 2007 and is stocked with the newest books and DVD's. These materials are leased. Currently, the Branch Library gets 600-700 visitors per month, whereas the main Library gets 26,000 to 30,000 visits per month. Fridays are the slowest days at both locations. To increase Branch usage consider opening four hours on Sunday and all day Saturday, or allow pick up of reserved books at the Branch. The survey might give more information to support additional hours/personnel.

Meeting adjourned at 6:50 pm

Next meeting date: January 27, 2020

Minutes submitted by Pat Long