

MIAMI PUBLIC LIBRARY MEETING
Minutes of Monday, June 13, 2022

Meeting called to order at 12:12 pm by Ray VandeGiessen.

Members present: Kit Waters Ulrey, Ray VandeGiessen, Aaron Mathews, Becky Baird, and Sloane Arana; along with Marcia Johnson and Callie Cortner.

Minutes: Becky Baird moved to approve the meeting minutes, Sloane Arana seconded the motion. The motion unanimously passed.

Circulation Report April 2022:

There is a change in reporting of computer sessions because it gives up report of total usage so someone coming in everyday to use it will only be counted as using it once instead of daily usage.

The "3 to go" on library card is for kids whose parents aren't going to come into the library. The kid can check out only 3 books if they lose them, their parents won't be charged for them. But if they bring back 1 book, they can only check out 1 more, until they return the others.

Director's Report:

Marcia's final report was given as she will retire on June 30th. She gave words of encouragement, saying how impressed she was working with Callie and knowing that Callie will be the one to move the library forward and have a supportive and active Board behind her. One of the best ways to show support is to come to the events.

Assistant Director's Report:

We went over the IQC plan for the Outdoor Plaza. We are in the process of getting bids on concrete and fence. The center will be open for a softer center and the city approved moving the dumpsters. We will have an outdoor book drop, just not sure who will be able to install it.

The Self-Checkout system is not quite there. We are still tagging all the books expected in next couple of weeks and weeding through stuff.

Progressing through the interview process. Sent out questionnaires for further information and have two strong candidates for Assistant Director and five for children's librarian.

The Health Literacy Cooking demo with the NTHS at Farmer's Market was successful and one will be in July.

Friends of Library Report:

We switched the FOTL meeting to first Monday at 5:15 pm instead of third Monday, with the exception on holidays which will move it to the following week. Our next meeting will be Monday July 11th.

We did a party for Marcia and Judy with a cake and Amazon gift card.

Also considering a program (Thrift.com) that will take our unused books if we pay 30 percent of the shipping cost and they cover the 70 percent. They sort through the books and the ones they think will sell will be sold and the others could be donated to other programs they contract with.

New Business:

We will be putting up a wall in the backroom for an extra office. Currently staff do not have a break room. A request was made if the Board could tour the library, one will be scheduled for next meeting in August.

Meeting adjourned at 1:03 pm. Next meeting scheduled Monday, May 9, 2022 noon at the library.

Minutes by: Kit Waters

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