

LIBRARIAN REPORT

March 14, 2023

Policy and By-laws – Review Only Item

The policies for review this month are Library Patron, Medical Emergency and Meeting Room Policies

New Hires

Liz Paff, one of our Reference Clerks, took a full-time job at Allen County. Her final day at WCPL will be March 11th. We are asking for approval to hire Andrew Feeback as a Clerk I at a starting wage of \$12.22/hour for 17 hours per week. Andrew has journalism experience and a passion for history and Wells County. We are looking forward to working with him. His start date will be March 20th.

2018-2022 Long Range Plan-Review only

Attached to the agenda is the goals chart from the 2018-2022 Long Range Plan for your review of our 2022 accomplishments for the Library's LRP.

Library Hours for Children's Book Festival-approval needed

The 2023 Children's Book Festival is scheduled for October 14th. The author for this year, Candace Fleming, is not an illustrator, so we have asked David Slonim to attend. This will provide the illustrator events that patrons have come to love on Saturday, which are usually provided by our author. We also were hoping to maybe offer a time that local authors could read some of their work. Because of these additions, we would potentially like to be open till 4 pm on October 14th instead of the usual 3 pm during a book festival. The schedule may change from now until October and we stay open only until 3:15 pm but we wanted to have approval until 4 pm just in case.

Library Closed:

All Day April 7-8th

All Day May 19th (staff in-service)

All Day May 27-29th

Director Updates

Community Meetings/Activities attended outside the library:

Bluffton NOW! Board Meeting

Chamber Board meeting

Rotary Meetings

Wells County Foundation Board

Meeting Updates inside the library:

Department Head meeting – spring in-service, mini-golf, reviewed policies and discussed summer intern possibilities.

Current Projects/Big Programs/News:**-Friends of the Library Mini Golf Fundraiser**

Mini-golf was a huge success!

\$1,700 in sponsorships!!

\$967 in ticket sales

Total: \$2,667

-Friends of the Library Book sales

Next Book Sales will be:

2023

June 21-24, 2023 with Friends Only Sale on June 20th

October 25-28, 2023 with Friends Only Sale on October 24th

2024

February 7-10, 2024 with Friends Only Sale on February 6th

June 26-29, 2024 with Friends Only Sale on June 25th

October 23-26, 2024 with Friends Only Sale on October 22nd

-Children's Book Festival - Save the date for October 14, 2023. If you have kids/grandkids come out for a fun time. We are always looking for volunteers for this program, if you are interested.