Brantley County Library Board
Minutes

Call to Order: Michael Hickox

Members Present: Vicky Rehberg; Gwen Bohanon; Kimi Harris, Hope Smith; Ronda Dowling; Lynn Jones; Clint Moxley; Joan Sweat; Frank Bullard; Michael Hickox

Minutes: Frank Bullard. Motion to approve by Kimi; 2nd by Joan. Approved

Treasurer Report: Gwen Bohanon  Balance: $1712.64 through September. Motion to approve by Joan; 2nd by Vicky. Approved.

Regional Library: Clint Moxley
- Okefenokee Regional director resigned in June; 2nd interim since. Related to use
- Book Challenge: *I Am an Activist* on TRRL website – related to Kirk Cameron’s Brave Books campaign

Library Managers Report: Lynn Jones
- Circulation: Report  September 421  Computer Use: 617  Patrons: 10253
- Friends of the Library had a good Book sale on Sept 8th and 9th.
- Story time started back on Sept 7th, then on Sept 14th Bluey the cartoon character came to visit. Had 2 visitors on Sept. 28th, the sheriff and a cowboy. Priscilla is doing a Cowboy and Indian theme for story time.
- Lynn went to the Adult Programming Palooza in Savannah on Sept 15th, gathered a few ideas to try
- Busy Calendar for the next 3 months
  - Georgia Libraries Conference Oct. 4th -6th: Had a great time in Athens. Came back with a few things to incorporate into the library, including information on a few programs that we want to work on, and gathered a lot of information on setting up displays in the library.
  - Oct 10th: Coastal Wildscapes talked about native plants and how to prepare a garden to grow them, and how to go about finding those plants. Only 2 attended.
  - Oct. 12th: Story time firetruck visit.
  - Oct. 16th: Interviews to replace Ms. Lizzie the cleaning lady – gave up the job due to health issues.
  - Oct. 17th: Friends of the Library celebrates the library having over 10,000 patrons with donuts and coffee for our patrons.
  - Oct. 17th: Bluey visits for an afternoon story time (limited it to 30 kids who have registered for the program); May try to have another visit in December.
  - Oct. 19th: Friends of the Library will have Lemonade and Popcorn for patrons.
  - Oct 24th: The Planetarium will be here; registering patrons for this program as well.
- Oct 27th: Extension office will be talking about planting a fall garden and fall garden management.
- Oct. 31st: Library closed for Staff Development Day with the Three Rivers Regional Libraries.
- Nov. 17th: Disguise a gingerbread man
- Nov. 18th: Annual Thanksgiving Turkey Giveaway by Dr. Lee and Dr. Rainge. They may also give out some school supplies since they were not able to book the room before school started.
- Nov. 30th: Performance reviews due. A Board member needs to fill out Lynn’s
- Dec. 5th: Santa Workshop begins.

- County manager has offered a new book for the group to read I Said This, You Heard That: How Your Wiring Colors Your Communication by Kathleen Edelman.

Old Business: None

Patron Issues: At the end of July, a lady went up to the Zoo Animal magazine and started petting the wild dog on the cover, then sat in floor looking through the magazine. She crawled to the fish tank. Once she finished looking at the fish, she went to the adult side and looked around. She pulled about 25 books and left them out on the table. Another patron said that the lady had gone to her house when she wasn’t home. The patron called the police; the lady told the cops she was there to baptize their cat. Patron said they do not have a cat.

Unfinished Business: Historical Society – still waiting on them to contact Lynn

New Business:
- Bank has started charging a $15.00 monthly service fee. Do we want to change banks? – Suggested to try to work with them as a 170b nonprofit
- Motion to spend up to $1500 for materials and supplies by Ronda. 2nd by Vicky. Passed.

Motion to adjourn by Joan; 2nd by Vicky.

Michael adjourned the meeting

Next Meeting: January 11, 2024

Minutes approved 2/8/2024