

Minutes from the 10/28/20 meeting of the Lafayette County Librarians, held at the Lafayette County Multi-use building at 9:30am

- Meeting called to order by county rep, Bob Boyle, at 9:30am
- Roll call: Bob Boyle, Tara Teasdale, Virginia Grossen, Dave Kranz, Sarah Kyrie, Candi Fitzsimons
- The meeting was properly posted. The agenda was approved with a motion from Virginia, 2nd by Candi.
- Minutes from the last meeting were approved with a motion from Virginia, 2nd by Bob.

Old Business

- Virginia will be retiring on Dec. 12. We wish her good luck and will miss her greatly! Fortunately, Tara Teasdale, current Children's Librarian in Shullsburg, will be taking her place, and has been training during the "downtime" of the pandemic. Welcome Tara!
- Bob reported on the County Board meetings over the past 3 months; they will be hiring a new County Health Dir., as the last one was fired; Tom Jean, County Highway Supervisor, will retire in Jan.; many large projects are being looked at for the near future. Candi volunteered to attend the Nov. County Board meeting, Sarah-Dec. and Tara-Jan.

New Business

- SWLS Dir., Dave, reported that interviews will begin soon for the Cataloger position, the cataloging app is running smoothly, directors are offered up to \$425 reimbursement for classes/trainings, but should complete & submit by the end of 2020; our new CE/Outreach Coordinator, Shawna, has been hard at work trying to meet everyone virtually, and will drive out as soon as it is safe to do so; Annual Reports are coming up in Jan.

Library Updates:

Argyle-now putting out a newsletter, available on their Facebook page, as is Sarah's weekly blog where she "unboxes" & features areas of the collection; currently offering curbside pick-up, kids' grab & go, home delivery & special requests for printing; voting will be in the library; open 4 days/wk., reduced hours; doing deep cleaning & an upcoming Zoom program on a local military family with author talk on Veteran's Day.

Darlington-taking a UW iclass on "Graphic Design for Librarians;" spoke about the idea of relating to children during the pandemic with an attitude of "seizing the change", with a focus on resilience, rather than pity for "what they're missing out on." MaryJo is offering Story Walks, grab & go kits, and for Halloween, a free book for each child. Recently recruited a young Hispanic man for library board to make the board a more true representation of the community.

Shullsburg-offering curbside, limited hours & appointments for special situations; Colossal Fossils has been successful, as well as outside Story Time & a Halloween coloring contest; staff have been taking classes in library services & Spanish.

Meeting Adjourned at 11am with motion by Sarah, 2nd by Virginia; **next meeting: Jan. 12, 9:30am, Argyle Library**