

Clewiston Library Board Minutes
April 9, 2025

- A. Opening Remarks
- B. Roll Call of Members-Present: Toni Couse, Mary Thomas, Frank Harris, Cindy Carroll, Dr. Laura Jones, and Natasha Hayes. Absent: Mike Galassini and Cathy Metz.
- C. Minutes from Last Meeting
 - a. February 12, 2025-motion to approve the minutes was made by Mrs. Carroll and seconded by Dr. Jones.
- D. Treasurer's Report - Mr. Harris reported that the balance is currently \$7,382.15 as of the latest bank statement which is dated for March 2025.
 - a. Library Statistics & Calendars- Library statistics were provided via an Excel spreadsheet which explains/depicts the circulation counts of library materials, items cataloged/removed, programs, door count, and more.
- E. Old Business
 - a. Summer Reading Program –our weekly summer reading program will run from June 4th through July 29th each Wednesday (except July 29th will be a Tuesday) at 10 a.m. The presenters that are scheduled are as follows:
 - 1. Out of My Hands Juggling/Illusions-\$300.00
 - 2. Treasure Coast Wildlife -\$300.00
 - 3. Stephens Puppets-\$350.00
 - 4. C.R.O.W.E.-\$85.00
 - 5. Showtime for Kids-\$350.00

The costs associated for each program will be covered by the Friends of the Clewiston Library. A motion to approve these expenses was made by Mr. Harris and seconded by Mrs. Thomas.

F. New Business

- a. Friends of the Library Annual Book Sale and Auction/Raffle-this year's event was extremely successful. Without the dedication and support of the library's Friends, board members, and other volunteers, the library would not be able to operate as efficiently, never mind offer the volume of programs that are currently available.
- b. Friends of the Library Yard Sale-this year's yard sale was also successful. All of the proceeds from this sale will help cover library expenses throughout the upcoming year. A huge "Thank You" to Ms. Brown and the Friends of the Library for all of their hard work and dedication put forth to organize and run this event.
- c. Library Operating Days/Hours-Due to very low patronage on Saturdays, the library will no longer be open on Saturdays after April 26th. The library will offset this closure by remaining open an extra two days during the week until 6 p.m.
- d. Friends Donation Box-a donation box will be purchased via Amazon and placed in the library for advertisement purposes for the Friends. Membership application pamphlets will be available on the side of the box. Simply look it over, sign up and drop the application and dues inside! Ms. Thomas will be sure to empty the box routinely and process the new members and/or renewal applications.
- e. SWFLN Collaboratory-Director Hayes has reached out to Amy-Jane at SWFLN and is awaiting to meet via Zoom regarding additional library funding.

f. Budget-Director Hayes reviewed the Friends expense log and held discussed the upcoming year's budget.

G. Date for Next Meeting-May 21, 2025 at 5 p.m.

H. Public Remarks-None.

I. Adjournment-6:11 p.m.