

Clewiston Library Board Minutes
Thursday, April 29, 2021

- A. Opening Remarks
- B. Roll Call of Members-Present: Mary Thomas, Mike Galassini, Frank Harris, Toni Couse, and Dr. Laura Jones. Absent: Cindy Carroll
- C. Minutes from Last Meeting
 - a. March 25th, 2021-motion to approve the minutes was made by Mrs. Thomas and seconded by Mr. Harris with two changes: 1) Item D-Treasurer's Report. Please let it be noted that the businesses name should read Glades Electric Cooperative rather than Glades Gas. 2) Item F (a)-corrected spelling of the name to Cathy Metz instead of Kathy Metz.
- D. Treasurer's Report –Mr. Harris reported that the balance is currently \$4,579.81 as of the latest bank statement which is dated for March 31, 2021.
- E. Director's Report
 - a. Library Statistics-the library is doing well after reviewing the statistics. The door count has continued on an upward trend and we remain hopeful that this is a sign of great things to come as we rebound from this pandemic.
- F. Old Business
 - a. Board Vacancy-Cathy Metz's application to join the Clewiston Advisory Library Board was received and approved by the Board as motioned by Dr. Laura Jones and seconded by Frank Harris. Library Director will forward the application to the governing board (City of Clewiston Commission) for acceptance.

G. New Business

- a. Tails and Tales 2021 Summer Library Program-staff is diligently working to bring interactive, in person programs to the library this summer. We plan to have a variety of presenters planned and several will be bringing their own critters (with tails) to fit right in with the theme.
- b. Next Book Club Date/Time-Current title, *The Four Winds* by Kristin Hannah which will be held on May 13th at 2 p.m. and 5:15 p.m.
- c. Retirement-Maria Antunez-The board agreed to purchase a departing gift for Maria with the limit being no more than \$150.00. Library Director will seek out said gift once official notification of retirement is received.
- d. Advisory Board Appointments and Cooperative Board Appointments-Library Director discussed a few concerns regarding a library board within our Cooperative not being able to elect their own interested parties by forwarding their selections to the County Board, but rather the Hendry County Board of Commissioners selecting and appointing individuals who have not even applied for an available position or been voted on by the local advisory board.
- e. Covid10
 - i. Quarantining Materials-as of June 1st the Cooperative will no longer be quarantining materials, but each item will continue to be disinfected prior to being reshelfed.
 - ii. Reinstatement of Library Fines/Fees-as of June 1st the Cooperative will no longer be waiving late fees.

H. Date for Next Meeting-Monday, August 16th, 2021 at 5 p.m.

I. Public Remarks-none

J. Adjournment-6:03 p.m.