

**Town of Howey-in-the-Hills**  
**Marianne Beck Memorial Library Board Meeting**  
**112 W Central Avenue**

**Date:** April 6, 2023

**Call to Order:** This meeting was called to order by Jim Steele, chairman, at 7:07 pm.

**Attendance:** Jim Steele, Tahsia O'Keefe, Pamela Szydluk, Gwendolyn McIlvaine, Tara Hall

**Minutes:** Library Board Meeting minutes from February 9, 2023 are approved

The Library Director's Report for March 2023 is noted.

**New Business:**

Hannah is working on Summer Reading Program. It will be held on Thursdays in the month of June and there will be some take home for the month of July.

The FOL received a grant for drone, virtual reality and robotics from Duke Energy. Duke will send someone out to show the children how to use the drones. Robotics club will meet weekly.

Tara shared some articles regarding librarians getting arrested in some states due to new policies regarding the books on their shelves.

The new Children's Anthology book should be published in time for the Masquarade Ball.

**Old Business:**

The homeschool collection is being ordered and catalogued in batches.

**Other:**

Update on the Library Directors meeting:

Tumblemath is being cancelled.

Only 15% of Lake County residents have library cards.

There might be some changes to online book platform.

**Friends of the Library Business:**

Kate Albus will be at the library on Monday 4/10/23 at 4pm

Poetry tea time 4/27/23 at 1pm

Looking for sponsors for the Masquarade ball. Ticket prices are \$115 for FOL and \$125 if not.

Motion was made to adjourn by Tahsia O'Keefe, seconded by Gwendolyn McIlvaine. Meeting

adjourned at 7:58pm

*Jim Steele*  
6/1/23