

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

Date: August 6, 2020

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by Chairperson Jim Steele

Attendance: Board Members: Jim Steele, Rosemary Soto, Marcia Schneider, Tahsia O'Keefe, Beth Flack, and Library Director Tara Hall. Also in attendance Friends of the Library President JoJo Lowe, and Vicki Steele.

Minutes: The Minutes of July 2, 2020, were read. Motion to approve as read made by R. Soto, seconded by B. Flack and passed.

Library Director's Report: See Attached Report

New Business:

The final walk through of the Education and Learning Center addition is scheduled for August 31.

Ernie Morris has advised Tara that the tables and chairs will be delivered August 31.

The TV, refrigerator and microwave will be purchased to take delivery after the final walk through takes place in case there is a delay. The electric service must be connected prior to the walk through and that is scheduled by Duke Energy.

Director Hall obtained the Smithsonian digital file for the Women's Suffrage Movement and would like prints made. Friends of the Library will investigate to have them printed for display and future use for programs. This was done for the World War I files previously.

Once the addition construction is completed the front will be landscaped with plantings including one gardenia and one Crepe myrtle.

To increase circulation and interest there was discussion regarding creating craft bags with a craft project and a book with various themes for children to take out. This was discussion only and no decisions made.

Director Hall reported that the quarantine of returned books has been decreased from 72 hours to 48 hours based on recent testing.

Old Business:

The Summer Reading Program was a success ending August 5th. Thirty three kids participated producing a total of 160 book reviews and 10 original stories. Prizes will be awarded Monday, August 10, 2020. Friends of the Library provided the prizes to include: \$150 Amazon Gift Card, \$25 cash, three \$10 cash prizes for various categories.

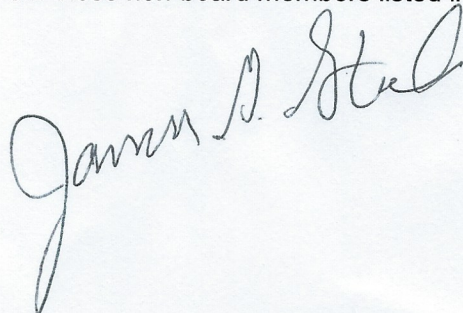
A date for the Grand Opening of the Education and Learning Center (ELC) has not been determined. The current policy of the Lake County Library Board is there will be no group events at the libraries until December.

Public Comments: None other than ideas and comments from those non-board members listed in attendance from the community.

Respectfully submitted,

Marcia Schneider

Marcia Schneider, Secretary (electronically signed)

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