Sherman County Public/School Library Board

June 13, 2022

A regular meeting of the Sherman County Public/School Library Board was held at the Sherman County Public/School Library at 11:00 am.

Present: Arla Melzer, Chair

Joan Bird, Sherman County Commissioner Kristie Coelsch, school representative Sheri Carlson, community representative

Marylou Martin, staff

Absent: None

Guest: Wes Owens, Kalie Rolfe, Liz Cranston, Kim Mckinney. Via Zoom: Janet

Pinkerton, Jeanney McArthur, Amy Huffman, Jeanne Kuettel, Brittany Dark

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made to approve the April 5, 2022 meeting minutes. Motion: Sheri; Second: Joan; unanimous.

Old Business

A. Library Status Update

Joan states that there was a meeting at the courthouse last week with thoughts of continuing to look into the possibility of a County employee and a school employee. Arla has already written up a rough draft of possible job descriptions. This is a first rough draft. Updates and revisions will need to be made. More meetings will take place to see how this will possibly look in a new agreement. A comparison between public hours vs. school hours and public patrons/students will be considered. It was stated that everyone wants the Public/School library to continue. Arla discussed two 40 hour jobs, one public and one school. After the job description is determined, Joan will get some budget numbers together for a Public 40 FTE employee. Janitorial duties were brought up, those are still to be determined.

Marylou presented some information about the importance of having a Youth Director position and how it adds value to the community and school.

There were several comments from visitors:

- The importance of youth services and early childhood intervention was expressed.
- Expediting a proposal for how the new jobs would work was requested. Joan stated that there was a meeting coming up to decide this.
- The value not only of the public library for the youth but also to the public was mentioned.

New Business

A. Board Member Appointment

A motion was made to recommend Janet Pinkerton as a community representative Library Board Member. A letter will be sent to the County with this request. Motion: Sheri; Second: Kristie; Unanimous.

B. Programs Report

Marylou talked about the library book club that has seventeen members and Jeanne Kuettel reported on the four part budget class presented by Brittany Dark. The first class had 6 attendees.

Next Meeting

A regular meeting was scheduled for Wednesday, July 13, 2022 at 11:00 am. Being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:15 pm.