

## Sherman County Public/School Library

May 18, 2021

A regular meeting of the Sherman County Public/School Library was held at Sherman County Public/School Library at 5:30 pm.

Present: Lowell Smith, Chair and Sherman County School Board designee  
Joan Bird, Sherman County Commissioner  
Sheri Carlson, community representative  
Arla Melzer, community representative  
Janet Pinkerton, community representative  
Marylou Martin, staff  
Natasha Sandquist, staff

Absent:

Guests:

### Approval of Minutes

**A motion was made to approve the March 16, 2021 meeting minutes as presented.**

**Motion: Janet; Second: Sheri.**

### Old Business

#### A. Window ledge update

Joan confirmed that a highly recommended mason worker, Reuben, has accepted the job and looked at the library window ledge already. Joan is waiting on a bid.

#### B. Ed

Marylou reported that she gave Ed an official letter stating that his employment by the library will end June 30, 2021.

### New Business

#### A. Re-appoint community member

**A motion was made to send a letter recommending that Sherman County Court reappoint Janet to a fourth term on the Library Board. Motion:**

**Lowell; Second: Joan.** Lowell announced his resignation from the Library Board as the Sherman County School Board designee. He will be missed!

#### B. Budget update

Joan reported that the Sherman County Court Budget Committee met last week and they decided to use \$32,000 of the estimated carryover as part of the regular 2021-2022 budget. From the remaining \$10,000 estimated carryover, Marylou will purchase a new printer for the library. The estimated cost for a new printer is \$4,400. The library has a contract with the school stating the library is responsible for purchasing the printer and the school is responsible for printer maintenance.

#### C. Library future plans

According to the Reopening Sherman County Public/School Library Guide, the library is currently operating between Stage 5 and Stage 6. The library would like to be fully operational beginning June 15, 2021. This will include adult programs allowed in person with social distancing such as book club and Abbey's craft programs. Additionally, appointments will no longer be necessary.

**D. Programs report**

Book Club now has 13 people. Natasha has been able to do a monthly storytime for the preschool in their classroom. Abbey's most recent crafts were color your own mask, forest animal wood painting, and neon signs. Marylou showed pictures of families' art work that had been shared on Facebook. Natasha will be partnering with the Sherman County School this summer bringing the summer reading activities to youth in our community through the Sherman County Enrichment Program. She will also partner with Mrs. Macnab, the Kindergarten Teacher, and offer a Counting Down to Kindergarten program this summer for children going into Kindergarten in the fall.

**Other**

Library duties were discussed for coverage reasons. We will revisit this at the next meeting.

**Next Meeting**

A regular meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, September 21, 2021 at 5:30 pm. Being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:24 pm.