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**W. T. BLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD MEETING
W.T. Bland Public Library, 1995 N. Donnelly Street, Mount Dora, FL 32757
Monday, August 14, 2023 - 5:00 p.m.**

MINUTES

PRESENT: Carolyn Fountain, Marcia Ford, Janet Manchon (Co-chair), Yiris Rivera and Beth Sharpe

ABSENT: Helen Cutshaw (Chair) and William Lowery

CITY STAFF: Cathy Lunday-Library Director, Rebecca Hyman-Adult Services Librarian, and LaJun Garry-Administrative Assistant

OTHERS PRESENT: None

I. Call to Order

Ms. Manchon (Co-chair) called the meeting to order at 5:04pm.

II. Roll Call

III. Approval of Minutes for July 10, 2023

MOTION by Ms. Sharpe SECONDED by Ms. Fountain to approve minutes from July 10, 2023.

AYE: Fountain, Ford, Manchon, Rivera, Sharpe

NAY: None

MOTIONED CARRIED 5-0

IV. Public Comment

None

V. Presentations

None

VI. Library Director's Report

Ms. Lunday:

- Summer 2023:
 - Circulation increased by 11% this year. During the summer months the percentage increased by 23% over last year.
 - Children's library materials alone was 38% higher.
 - Story times 50% more attendance than last year.
 - AWE terminals 30% more than last year.
 - Enrolled 800th child in 1000 Books Before Kindergarten program.
- During the month of July 3,502 people attended programs.
- Friends of the Mount Dora Library approved their 2023-24 programming budget for the amount of \$14,000 for children's summer labs and programs, holiday parties, Head Start outreach program and new venture Triangle Elementary Voluntary Pre-K program outreach.
- The family of Sebastian Morrison is ready to proceed with memorial swirl musical sculpture to be placed in Nunan Butterfly Garden.
- Dr. R. Eugene Burley collection has been added to Mount Dora Archives.
- Capital improvement projects update:
 - Simpson Farmhouse door restored and reinstalled. Windows scheduled week of Aug. 28th - Sept 9th. Replacing sills and framework. Project is currently on time and under budget.
 - Forest Preserve 60% of construction plans are complete.

VII. Action Items

None

VIII. Discussion Items

A. Library Materials Review

Adult Services Librarian Ms. Hyman shared a novel: *The True Story of the 3 Little Pigs!* from the perspective of the wolf as told to Jon Scieszka. Discussion ensued.

IX. Future Meeting Date

1. September 11, 2023

IX. Adjournment

MOTION by Ms. Fountain, SECONDED by Ms. Ford to adjourn the August 14, 2023 meeting.

AYE: Fountain, Ford, Manchon, Rivera, Sharpe

NAY: None

MOTIONED CARRIED 5-0

Meeting adjourned.

Helen Cutshaw, Chair

Cathy Lunday, Director

Janet Manchon, Co-chair