

Friends of the Van Alstyne Public Library

In Attendance: Paige Crail, Ashley Strang, Judy Kimzey, Diane Windsor, Lee Dahlen, Maria Haines  
Meeting called to order at 6:10 pm by Diane Windsor.

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**Approval of Minutes**

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February minutes approved with updates for who presented and a slight correction of Braun's to Braum's.

Motion to approve by Paige, Maria 2nds the motion, motion is carried unanimously.

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**Treasurer's Report**

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Ashley is the new treasurer, will do the March report. Current report, February, presented by Diane Windsor. February report notes strong brick donations in the month, Cars and Coffee had light donations.

Motion to approve made by Paige, Ashley 2nds motion, motion is carried unanimously.

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**Business Discussion:**

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**Cars & Coffee:**

Car and Coffee April 6<sup>th</sup>. Maria and Ashley to volunteer.

**Corporate Sponsors:**

Lois is managing the corporate sponsorship. Looking for Summer Reading Program corporate sponsorship. Follow-up with David R. and other sponsors

**Bricks:**

Installer doesn't need bricks until end of May. Follow-up: building of park appears behind schedule. There is a risk that bricks showing up too early may lead to damage or theft concerns. Discussion of having a twice annual brick drive with bricks being placed annually once at the start of the calendar year.

We'll have a "this is your last chance to order a brick" in late March, early April.

**Spring Book Fair:**

Book Fair date will be the week of May 28, at Grayson College.

Preview night discussed with a \$5 fee per family. Work to deter resellers by using signage and asking for no one to be seen using scanners. Volunteer to bring refreshments, possible wine if we are allowed. Sign has preliminary approval for hanging at the VA Historical Museum's fence downtown. We have two yard signs as well to place on 121 in front of the college. Need confirmation on bags from Braum's. We may need to reuse plastic bags. Maria to call bank for volunteers. Maria is slated to

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be project manager for book fair. Need to get certificate of insurance from City of Van Alstyne. Assume times 9am to 5pm Thursday through Friday, 9am through noon on Saturday, 7:00-8:30pm for preview night.

Discussion on what to do with books that don't sell in two consecutive fairs. Need to look for new options post May book fair.

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**Library Director's Report**

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March is a busy month. Grayson County Master Gardeners programs have done very well. Seed library had 75 seed packets given out. No statistics for March as of report. February metrics had 1,702 door visits, 54 new patrons, circulation of 2,074.

Budget season is currently occurring.

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**Roundtable Discussions and Announcements:**

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New Bylaws signed by prior President and Vice-President, as they were the active officers at the time of approval.

Conversations of new fundraisers taking place. (1) Christmas ornaments drive based on Diane Windsor's experience. (2) Post Cards/ Greeting Cards, we would need to work with an artist and work potentially with store fronts to sell.

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**Adjournment and Next Meeting Announcement**

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Motion to adjourn by Maria, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lee, motion unanimously carried.

Respectively submitted,  
Brent Joyce, 2024 Secretary