**Deputy Director’s Report**

**BCSLD Board Meeting, 2.14.23**

* **January Statistics**: I complied and posted the January statistical reports to the shared drive. They are in the “2022-2023 Board Reports” folder. Please let me know if you have any questions.
* **Traveling Exhibition**: Reminder—from April 16, 2023 through May 20, 2023, The Bob Bullock Texas State History Museum’s traveling exhibition, *Not Alone*, will be at the Library in the large conference room, free and open to the public.
* **Book Displays**: Current book displays: “Black History Month” and “Cinematic Takes”
* **Deputy Director’s Additional Collection Development:**  For fiscal year 2022-2023, the Board approved a budget of $6,000 for the Deputy Director to purchase books for the Library’s collection. I have added 170 new books and spent $3,525.36.
* **Storytime:** Thursdays from 10:30 to 11:30. We had a special Storytime on February 9. Guest harpist Susan Marshall played songs from “Valley of the Dragon,” and Carol Winscott read accompanying text (“Valley of the Dragon” includes songs for the harp as well as a story, both written by Susan Thormahlen). We had 28 people attend: 15 children and 13 adults. Carol purchased little dragon toys and handed them out along with Valentine’s cards with lollipops. She also decorated a cork bulletin board with a Valentine’s theme, “Owl Always Love You.”
* **Family Days at the Library:** Carol, Becky, and I hosted “Family Game Day” on January 21. Participants made model snowmen, colored, and played a variety of games. Snacks and refreshments were served. Turnout was down from our previous Family Day, but we later learned that the Science Mill hosted its “Snow Day” at the same time. Our next Family Day will be on March 25. For Spring Family Day, participants will plant zinnia and magnolia seeds in small terra cotta pots with saucers (outside), and there will be two crafts on hand, along with potato sack and plastic egg relay races, and a parachute game (depending on attendance). This will be our last Family Day before the Summer Reading Program due to the “Not Alone” exhibit in the large conference room.
* **CoATP Wellness Fair:** Amber Corder from Blanco ISD reached out to the Library to invite us to be a vendor at the Wellness Fair at Blanco High School on Wednesday, March 1, from 4:00 to 6:00 PM. I sent her the vendor registration form. I will have a table for the Blanco Library and will share information about the library and our services, as well as have forms for people to register for library cards (as I did at the Literacy Day at Blanco Elementary last fall).