**Deputy Director’s Report**

**BCSLD Board Meeting, 7.18.23**

* **June Statistics**: I complied and posted the June 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**: I submitted a final report to the TSHM on June 20. Both of the recipients of the report thanked me for submitting all the materials (photos of the installed exhibit, sign-in sheet, summary, etc.). This should wrap up the “Not Alone” exhibit.
* **Book Displays**: Current book displays: “American Independence,” “Outdoor Type,” “Summertime,” and “Staff Picks.”
* **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 added 288 new books and spent $6,000.
* **Storytime:** Thursdays from 10:30 to 11:30. Carol Winscott will continue to work with me to host Storytime through July but will have to step away from Storytime at the end of July. She will be working at Blanco ISD and Johnson City ISD in the fall, as she did last year, but she will also continue to work at a nursing home in Dripping Springs, as she has this summer. Carol will still be working with Becky and me to host three Family Days (Saturdays) at the library between the fall and spring. I will continue to host Storytime on Thursdays at 10:30, but we will take a break in August and resume in September after Labor Day.
* **Summer Reading Program:**
  + Began June 2 and ends July 28.
  + As of July 15, we have 85 readers registered in ReaderZone: Adult (30), Child (38), Pre-K (13), Teen (7). Adults and teens have read 42,210 pages. Pre-K and Child readers have read 31,690 minutes.
  + Readers are registering for SRP and tracking their reading via the ReaderZone app (or online) to be eligible to earn a prize (the past three years we have been buying each participant approximately $20.00 worth of books, of their own choosing and with our approval. Adults can choose book for self, book for library collection, or gift card to local restaurant for $10.00). We have four age groups again in ReaderZone: Pre-K, Child, Teen, and Adult.
  + I subscribed to RZ for a three-month period (offered for summer reading programs) for 100 readers. At this point, we won’t need to bump up to the next subscription level (250 readers) to accommodate more than 100.
  + SRP schedule of in-person programs: Wednesday at 10:30 is an SRP Activity Day (we’ve held 5 of these so far). Storytime on Thursdays is following the SRP theme. Friday at 3:00 is SRP Movie Day (we’ve shown 6 so far). I will provide attendance numbers for programs once the SRP is over.
* **Blanco Youth Soccer Association:** Kristi Rice submitted an invoice for $400.00 for the Blanco Library’s team sponsorship. A team will have shirts that feature only the Blanco Library’s logo. I handed this invoice off to the bookkeeper. Once the check is signed, I will give it to Kristi. She needs our payment by August 1.
* **Yoga at the Library (potential classes)**: I spoke with the co-owner of Tenuta Bianco on the square about teaching yoga classes at the library. She is a certified yoga teacher and teaches yoga through Bee Cave Yoga (https://beecaveyoga.com/). Her focus is on “prime of life” yoga and is geared toward people over the age of 50. She said she has taught classes at Bee Cave Library, and they pay her $100 per class. She was teaching yoga at Tenuta Bianco and had a regular core group of students who would likely come to classes at the library. Perhaps the library could pay her a lesser fee, and then she could charge students to make up the difference, or students could make donations to the library to offset the fee the library pays her. Or as we did previously with the mediation classes prior to the pandemic, students paid the instructor, and the instructor donated some of this back to the library. I told her we were in a holding pattern until the City budget is approved. She offered to do a six-week course to begin, perhaps in the fall, and then we can reassess. Thursdays after Storytime is a possible time that works for her, but I would need to check back with her to plan and confirm details, if the library would like to offer these classes for patrons and if the City Budget is approved.