Ashville Free Library Board of Trustees Meeting May 27, 2025

Members in Attendance:

* President Don Butler
* Pat Poignard
* Roberta Schruise
* Eugenie Poignard
* Pete Radka
* Kathy Burns
* Melissa First
* Adrienne Foos
* Michelle Arnone
* Director Kristina Benson

Kathy made a motion to accept last month’s minutes, and Melissa seconded. They passed unanimously.

The Financial Officer’s report was given by Pete

* CD $10,730.47
* Checking $22,183.49
* Money Market Fund $0.00
* UBS High Yield Savings $50,111.01
* Community Bank Savings $5,523.89
* Money Received $550.00
* Memorials and Grants to be spent $0.00
* Investments UBS Brokerage $20,922.55
* Total Cash and Bank Accounts $89,098.86
* Overall Tota Assets l $110,021.41
* No significant changes from last month
* Pete did pay for computers, and will get a reimbursement check from CRCF in June
* UBS account is up from last month

Director’s Report was given by Kristina

* Circulation is steady
* Website hits are steady, and Libby users are up
* Wifi Users have doubled
* There were some issues with the website, Kristina has found a work around that will suffice for now
* Socials (FB, Instagram) stats: 80% of FB users are women; 90% of IG users are women
* Programming is steady/up
  + Mahjong will be starting
  + Ashville book club will be moving to Whittier Farm for the summer months
* Story hour continues to go well
  + There are a lot of new kids attending
* Kristina is working out details of the summer music class
* Give Big CHQ June 12th
  + Will have some promo/pics of children at story time
  + Kristina did send an email that board members can send to friends/family
  + Will be using networks/socials to get the word out
* Summer Reading July 1st to July 26th
  + Registration is open
  + Collabs with Safety Village and Lakewood Library
  + Will do doing kids events throughout summer including a kids crochet class, “creatures”, Pearl City and Audubon visits
* Kelly will be do doing “Maker Wednesdays” for kids
* Book Sale July 31st-Aug 2nd
  + Have board baskets by 7/1/25-will be on display throughout month-start an email so that board members are not bringing duplicate baskets
* Kristina will be away from 5/29 through 6/7.
* Library Safety Discussion
  + Have a list of board members’ names and numbers if a staff member or volunteer feels unsafe in the library
    - Recent events; also M, T, W nights there is only one volunteer; may consider having a 2nd person?
    - Don will be the first contact as he is the closest

Cash Revenues for May2025

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| CASH REVENUES FOR | May-25 |
| OVERDUES | $     4.50 |
| COPIER FEES | $ 12.20 |
| COMPUTER PRINTING | $   5.20 |
| FAX |  |
| LIBRARY CARD REPLACEMENTS |  |
| DONATIONS | $ 15.67 |
| ILL FEES |  |
| BOOK REPLACEMENTS |  |
| OTHER |  |
| TOTAL | $ 37.57 |

New Business

* Discussion of a memorial for Mary Jo
  + “Mary Jo’s Cozy Mystery Corner” upstairs/plaque on the wall to honor her and her years of service to the library
* Don discussed the driveway/parking lot repairs-Jim Rauh will repair the crumbling pavement for $740
  + Don made a motion and Michelle seconded the motion; it passed unanimously
* June 11 CCLS meeting will be at Ashville Library at 6pm
* \*\* Next meeting moved up to 6/16/25 due to several board members being out of town the following week.

The next board meeting is June 16th at 6:30pm.

Submitted by,

Eugenie Poignard