

MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 24, 2022

TO: Robert Mawson, City Manager

FROM: Sonja Marx, Librarian

SUBJECT: Department Report

STAFF REPORT

The Library Advisory Board did not meet in May as was pre-scheduled; however, the Friends of the Library Board plan to have a meeting soon. This will be their first meeting in over 2 years due to the pandemic and low membership. They plan to discuss having their annual book sale; possibly in June. Many people have been donating their used books to the library this Spring. We also received our first batch of new books for ages 0-5 here at the library from the school literacy grant, LINKED. Children who haven't already received their 6 books from the school, can pick them up at the library. During the summer, ages 0-18 will receive 2 books a month; the Dillingham Public Library is the distribution site.

The end of our fiscal year is getting close. This is the last week purchase orders will be issued to vendors outside of Dillingham in order to make sure all the purchases arrive here before June 30th. We are on track to finish spending all our grant funds that were budgeted for our FY22 purchases.

I will be out of town for three weeks from May 27th – June 17th, 2022. We will begin our eight-week Summer Reading Program during the week of June 20th and end on August 12th. We look forward to having an in-person event this year, since we were not able to meet inside the library with the children for the past two summers due to the Covid pandemic. Since the library was closed to the public in 2020 & 2021; we are thankful to be open and look forward to many patrons this summer, once again.

Library Stats report April 25th – May 22nd, 2022:

Patron Visits: 307 Computer Use: 64 Wireless Use: 243 Story Hour: 13 Other Visits (including Classes): 23 Museum Use: 29 Movies Shown: 0 AWE Station Use: 8 Volunteer Hours Logged: 1

Next Library Advisory Board meeting is yet to be scheduled.

The Library will be closed Monday, May 30th, 2022 for Memorial Day.

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