

## **Report of the Library Director for June/July/August 2024 Activities**

### **Unfinished Business:**

Megan is finishing up several grant reports and starting to gather statistics for the annual Library Report to be submitted to the State Library of Oregon.

### **New Business:**

We are able to extend our Summer Intern for an additional two weeks. She will be presenting her internship project this Friday before the Movie in the Park. She chose to do a Fossil Dig and recruited someone with a dinosaur bone to be there as well.

### **Collection updates:**

We will be participating in OBOB this Fall. We have purchased all of the books for this and hope to be able to form a team for each age group. The Oregon Battle of the Books (OBOB) is a statewide voluntary reading motivation and comprehension program sponsored by the Oregon Association of School Libraries in conjunction with a Library Services and Technology Act grant. Students in 3<sup>rd</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade, regardless of ability, are exposed to quality literature representing a variety of literary styles and viewpoints. <https://www.oregonbattleofthebooks.org/> Even if students don't formally participate, they will still have access to all of the books on our shelves.

### **Building issues:**

Megan was appointed to the City's Safety Committee, this internal committee looks at the safety and compliance of all city buildings. No new updates to report on the library. Work is still partially completed for the outdoor space.

### **In building updates:**

We are still waiting to have the 3 new patron computers delivered and installed. They are being set up off site and will be ready to go when delivered. We have experienced some difficulties with software licenses and documentation from our old IT company. These issues are being resolved, they are just taking longer than expected.

### **In-person Programming:**

Our summer reading programs have been a great success so far this summer! Our reading program is also doing great. We purchased (with Friends of the Library money) a small claw machine for readers to select their reading completion prizes, this has been very popular with many kids reading more just to play with it. Adults are welcome to try it out too.

We changed the type of Friday programs that we offer to be more STEM based and this has gone over well with kids and parents. We have two more programs, a final water fight then a final day to pick up prizes left in August.

Our Summer Community Read program with our author Tai Stith is on August 15<sup>th</sup> at 6pm. Please join us, even if you haven't read the book!

### **New Building:**

Nothing new to report at this time, negotiations are ongoing.