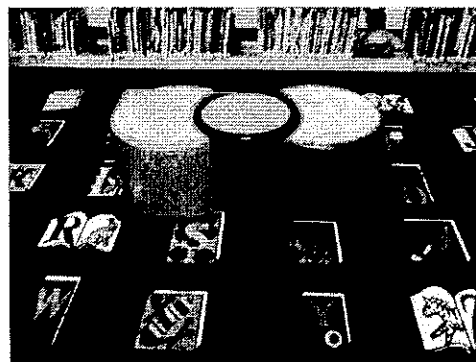
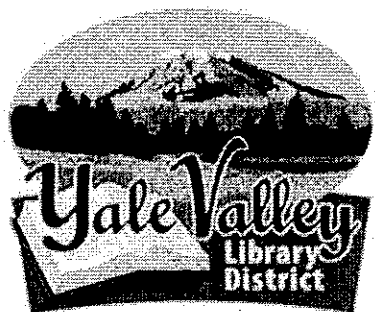


Yale Valley Library District



New rug and chairs purchased for the Children's area in the Yale Valley

Regular Meeting

April 14, 2022

Yale Valley Community Library

Attendees: Yale Valley Board of Trustees: Eric Reese, Bob Appling, Cynthia McAllister, Tina Moir and Kathi Wheeler

FVRL: Amelia Shelley and Jennifer Huaun

Guest: Jane Higgins, Chair FVRL Board of Trustees

1. The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Eric Reese at 6:08pm.
2. The agenda was amended to include Facilities which would include Port of Woodland Access Request; Leach Field Access; Outdoor Seating; Landscaping. Moir/Appling The amended agenda was approved by all trustees present.
3. Introductions & Welcomes/Chair Announcements: Eric announced that his last meeting as a trustee will be June 9, 2022. He suggested that his position be posted. Eric noted that the squatters have left the property behind the library. Since the property has changed hands, debris has been removed. Amelia introduced Jane Higgins, the Chair of the FVRL Board of Trustees. Jane reported that she is a big fan of our new library and has heard many good things about it.
4. Consent Agenda:
 - a. February 10, 2022 Minutes: Moir/McAllister The minutes were approved by all trustees present.
 - b. Approve building projects: Bills were reviewed by Tina Moir. Wheeler/Moir The bills were approved by all trustees presents. The bills totaled \$1060.76 for the purchase from DEMCO of a rug and 3 stools for the children's area.

5. Financial Report: Amelia Shelley gave the financial report as Carrie Greenwood is no longer with FVRL. Amelia reported that YVLD revenue through March 2022 was \$5896.00. The final payment to Pacific Tech of \$45,541.00 has been paid. Our library is paid for! In June we will have 1/2 payment due to FVRL.
6. COVID Update: Amelia Shelley reported that the district as of March 19, no longer requires masking. We are still providing masks if patrons would like one. The district will monitor Covid closely and is very grateful that there was no internal spread.
7. Facilities:
 - a. Port of Woodland Access Request: The Port of Woodland has sent a request for consideration of placing the equipment inside an exterior wall closet as part of their dark fiber project. The equipment is necessary for the functioning of the fiber connectivity. After the YVLD Board discussed what the liability would be, possible compensation and viewed the closet where the equipment would be placed, the board decided to go ahead with negotiations with the Port of Woodland.
 - b. Leach Field Access: Amelia Shelley reported that Jay McCuiston had inspected the field and found that there had been no damage to the lines when the truck recklessly drove through the property to house behind the library. Also reported that most of the vehicles and abandoned trailers have been removed from the same property. The parcel is now under new ownership. One abandoned vehicle was towed from our parking lot. The plumbing in the library has been fixed. A part was replaced and the noise has stopped.
 - c. Outdoor Seating: During the past month, there has been a discussion of the possibility of an outdoor seating area with a table and room for chairs. This area would be out the door of the meeting room and would be accessible for patrons. Kathi Wheeler proposed the idea to Jay and Amelia. However, at the moment there is no way to secure a table which would need to be placed on a concrete pad. In discussing the idea with the Board, Kathi suggested a cover would be a nice addition. The idea is a good one and the Board feels it could be incorporated into our landscape design.
 - d. Landscaping: The Board discussed moving ahead with a landscaping plan. Kathi Wheeler stated that water and the availability of water should be in place before we begin planting. However, the board felt that we could proceed with a design for the library grounds now and still pursue a satisfactory solution to our water dilemma. During the summer, the school turns off the water at the school and that affects our water. Kathi suggested that the Board may need to consider a well at some point. Amelia will check with Superintendent Michael Green regarding his feelings toward a well and Kathi will compile a list of designers specializing in Native Plant design. Jane Higgins suggested contacting Rep. Ed Orcutt, our State Rep. and see if there are any grant funds for such a project. He was very helpful to the Battleground library and he is a forester by trade and interested in preserving native species. Kathi will make the contact.
8. Branch Manager Report: Jennifer Huaun: Jennifer discussed the Summer Reading Program at the library. Most of the programs will probably be virtual. Two of the programs will be Bigfoot and Krakan. Yale Library is planning to have a Story Walk and a scavenger hunt. The theme is **Explore** and will be June 15-August 15. The Woodland Library is having its big fund raiser for the new library on April 23, 2022. The time is 5-9pm at the Peterson's Big Red Barn in

Woodland. Tickets are \$45.00 per person. There will be music, appetizers, drinks and an auction. Lesley Miller, Yale support librarian, stated that the library has been busy, especially the Wi-Fi availability, computer stations and printing and copying. Yale School students are visiting the library on the first Thursday of each month. They were issued library cards, and were able to browse and check out books. There was a storytime and a "take can make" craft. The children's play/activity panels were installed and have been very popular for our younger patrons. We plan to rotate the activity panel every few months.

9. Citizen Comments: Jane Higgins stated that she was very impressed with the new library and heard many good things about it. She said the library was very thoughtfully planned and an asset to the community.
10. Board Comments: None
11. Adjourn: The meeting was adjourned at 7:06pm. Wheeler/Appling The motion was approved by all trustees present.

Respectfully Submitted by Kathi Wheeler, YVLD Board of Trustees Secretary



Presiding Officer