

TLN Adult Services Committee Meeting

Monday, April 5, 2021

Zoom Meeting

Meeting called to order by Katie Rothley South Lyon township at 10am

Approval of Minutes

February minutes approved – Vicki Sower from Baldwin Public Library made motion and Karla Gibson from Wixom Public Library seconded.

Agenda approved -- Cherie Edmonds from Commerce Township Library made motion, Vicki Sower from Baldwin Public Library seconded.

Guest Presenter Crystal Shilling, Psychotherapist from Great Lakes Psychology Group, held a presentation on coping skills for stress during the pandemic. Covered statistics on the positives and negatives how COVID impacted our society and tips and tricks for people during the ongoing pandemic.

Election of Officers

Betty Adams from LHPL interested in Chair Position – approved by vote of all present

Old Business

Laura Brown Chelsea District Library talked about the workshop coming up.

New Business

June Meeting – Best presenter talk on Surveys

Spring Workshop now available to view online

Around the Coop

Kristin Wellman from Wayne Public Library – They are open for an hour at a time, doing take-home craft kits. They also did craft presentations and a Sea Shanty Madlibs program. Both went very well. Also, did a sourdough starter kit for patrons.

Laura Brown from Chelsea District Library— They are open for lobby pick up only, waiting for the governor to go to Phase 4 before opening for browsing. Events included black out poetry online contest, which was well received. Literary walk will be virtual in April. Outdoor book club with Owl Scavenger Hunt planned. Earth day wildflower seed bombs are available to pickup as well.

Rob Butler from Dearborn Heights – They are open for browsing and computer lab. Upcoming events: Online concert with RJ Spangler, Michigan Wildlife presentation, and a Paperback cover presentation with Greg Turner.

Cherie Edmonds from Commerce Township – They have expanded computer lab times to an hour, going well. Adult craft kits expanded from cocktail kits to other types of crafts using Youth Department's Cricut Machine to pre-cut materials. Winter Reading was finished at the end of February. They did reviews through Beanstack which went very well. They are currently preparing for presenters for the future. Hot tea craft kit, drinks around the world online program and Shipwreck hunting program all did very well. Upcoming – “Waking up White” author and hiking program.

Lynn Riehl from Hamburg Township – Open for ten-minute browsing and thirty-minute computer lab. Adult craft kits going well, curbside also going well. Women’s history month last month went well in terms of their programming. Also did Cocktail classes online and a virtual fundraiser which raised \$815.00 dollars. They’ve been having authors for events as well as the Shipwreck program, reptiles and amphibians, Michigan capitol building program, and travel log program. No Adult summer reading this year. Staying virtual with gardening programs for the summer. They have elected to wait for staff vaccinations before opening.

Cecile Bossard from SSLDL – They are open for thirty minute browsing and computers. Craft kits have been popular, seed saving and gardening programs are up in attendance, history of Maybury State park program was successful.

Karla Gibson from Wixom Public Library – They are open for thirty minute browsing, computers are available. They are doing one DIY program a month. The Winter reading challenge was through Beanstack and currently they have one program tentatively scheduled.

Amy Lee from Canton Public Library – They are open for thirty minute browsing and sixty minute computer use. They’ve raised their capacity to 75 people. They are having a genealogy program in March. They are also doing a virtual tour of Michigan. They are having another genealogy program next month. Currently, they are gearing up for Summer Reading programming. Planning outdoor storytimes starting next month, weather permitting. Also, doing ELL zoom club, book discussions, and kids programs.

Tekedra Lofton from Taylor Community Library – They are open for thirty minute browsing. They’ve recently switched the collections around to allow for more streamlined browsing. They are doing tech kits that include Chromebooks and hot spots starting this month. For spring, they did a race to reading marathon program and are currently planning Summer reading. They are

not doing any no programming, however. Summer Reading will consist of Adult and kid craft kits. They are also doing financial programming this month.

Vicki Sower from Baldwin Public Library – They are open for 45 minute browsing and curbside pickup. They are limiting the number of people in the library at a time. Computers are appointment only. All programs are virtual. They had a Garden at the DIA program, a Living an Herbal Life program. Also doing craft kits which are doing extremely well. They are running five book clubs, all virtual. The book clubs are doing very well. They may continue virtual in the fall. Books on foot program for audiobooks doing well.

Carrie Rolston from Walled Lake Public Library – They are open for 30 minute browsing and computers. They have had no issues. Program wise, they are not doing virtual programming due to bad reception from patrons. In May, they will be doing a farmer's market promotion and a walking group program in one of the local parks once a week.

Allison Sartwell from Rochester Hills Library – They are open for browsing. For programming, Easter egg suncatchers did well. They also had guest speakers from local hospitals.

Shauna Quick from Brandon Township Library – This is Shauna's first meeting. They didn't have any programming for the Spring. They chose to focus on database projects. They created minigames for patrons to win prizes. They set up a virtual programming room for content. The library is currently doing curbside only after COVID exposure. They are a small library, but people have been doing well with self-monitoring themselves and they are currently rebranding their image and developing recommendation databases for programming.

Kathy Beuhner from Highland Township Library – They are open for browsing. There is a thirty minute limit on computers. Kathy asked for ideas for future crafting kits as they want to start doing more of them. They had a tax aid program through AARP for tax season. They held it in person and was very popular. They are currently planning a possible seed library, looking for ideas. Also planning to do crafts outdoors. Inquired about what other libraries are doing about public catalogs instead of browsing. Vicki Sower suggested plastic covers and hand sanitizers for computer catalogs.

Jake Rynicki from Romulus Public Library – They are open for browsing and 60 minute computer usage. For programming, they had Veg Michigan do a presentation which was well received. They are possibly considering virtual programming since they are very well. They also hosted an AARP program for seniors and a program on Starting Your Own Business this month. Jake asked for any programming presenters for May for gardening. They have started a soft open for the last two weeks and they are going on the third week.

Betty Adams from Inkster Public Library – They just hired new staff this week. They are starting a Be a King or Queen Challenge presentation on ancient African kings and queens. They have grab and go kits for vision boards. They opened in March for full hours -- 1 hour each for browsing and computers. They designed a COVID memorial rock display outside which received very positive responses. They are starting 1,000 books before kindergarten and a Bring Your Own Book Club. They will also be starting a monthly Writer's Lounge. They had an Easter

Egg Hunt which went very well. 65 people showed up, including the mayor. Currently, they are planning for Summer Reading, family growth sunflower kits, and gardening programs for the summer. They have presenters lined up for gardening, family health, parenting, breastfeeding, and other family issues.

Katie Rothley from Lyon Township Library – They had a virtual one mile run or walk. Currently planning for grab and go browsing to go with virtual run/walk. They are also planning take and make kits. Currently doing painting classes and scheduling one presenter a week. They are only doing virtual programming right now. They are considering in person programming for the fall/winter, but for now, they will continue virtually.

May workshop 17th

Meeting adjourned 11:50 AM

Minutes submitted by Tekedra Lofton