

Marshall Public Library
Board of Trustees Minutes
March 2, 2022

1. Call to order by Darlene Dotson, Vice Chair, at 3:33pm. Members in attendance were Christina Deel, Darlene Dotson, Jerry Hancock, Jenny Kerr, and Lacey Lovely Lawson. Anna Lane, Library Director, and Steve Flohr, representative of Friends of the Library, were also present.
2. Presentations or remarks from the public: NONE
3. Review and approval of January 12, 2022 minutes. These minutes were approved by a motion from Christina Deel and a second by Lacey Lawson. All approved and motion carried.
4. Friend of the Public Library report:
 - Steve shared that the group had raised \$2,300 on their fundraiser that just packed up last week.
 - Their membership drive started in February.
 - They are giving away one book for every \$10 membership during the membership drive.
 - Steve also provided a 2022 book sale calendar to the group.
5. Library Director's Report:
 - January attendance has increased.
 - This was the 5th year of "Blind Date with a Book" and about 30 of the bookmarks from this event have been returned so far. There have been many positive comments for this activity.
 - High school students from districts within Harrison County were able to enjoy *A Midsummer Night's Dream* in February thanks to Friends of the Public Library. Students were also given a copy of the selection to take home.
 - Selections from the *African Americans in Texas* travel guide, distributed by the Texas Historical Commission, were posted daily on the library's Facebook and Instagram page in recognition of Black History Month. Guides were ordered and made available to library patrons.
 - 222 community members voted on Tuesday, March 1 during the primary voting.
 - Spring Break activities start next week. Anna provided a calendar of events for March.
 - Anna presented at the Rotary Club meeting for February.
 - Anna reported that it would cost approximately \$1.1M to replace all items in the library collection.
 - Anna reviewed progress on the Strategic Plan for 2021 and shared priorities for 2022.
 - There are 25 patrons on the wait list for hotspots. The current hotspot program costs about \$7,000/year.
 - April 6th at 3:30pm will be the next meeting.
6. Motion for adjournment was made at 4:03pm by Christina Dell and seconded by Jenny Kerr.