

Village of Forsyth Public Library
Library Commission Meeting Agenda

Wednesday November 14, 2018
1:00 p.m.
Library Program Room

The regular monthly meeting of the Forsyth Public Library Commission is scheduled for Wednesday November 14, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. in the in the Program Room located in the library.

Call to Order

Roll Call

Minutes

Minutes from September 12, 2018

Public comment: Anyone who wishes to address the Library Commission may do so at this time. Please state your name and address, and limit comments to three minutes or less. Relevant printed material and handouts that support your concerns or topic are welcome.

Old Business

Exterior Sign

New Business

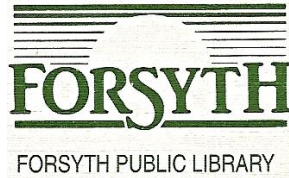
Per Capita Grant requirement: Meeting the needs of patrons with challenges or disabilities

Librarian's Report

Circulation, attendance, and library statistics for the month of September and October

Adjournment

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**Library Director's Report
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September Library Statistics

- Circulation - 5,945 (September 2017 6,147)
- Attendance - 3,302 (September 2017 3,705)

October Library Statistics

- Circulation - 5,746 (October 2017 6,622)
- Attendance - 3,501 (October 2017 4,024)

Library Activities

- Our new dual language books are available for checkout. These books that have text in both English and an additional language, including Urdu, Mandarin, Hindi, and Arabic and include a feature that allows a special pen to “read aloud” the text in either English or the additional languages.
- Library staff continues to take a monthly “pop-up library” to the Independent Living wing of Hickory Point Christian Village, most recently on November 1. Residents of HPCV attended several programs at FPL, including Game Day and Community Watch.
- I met with the Village Administrator to review the library’s portion of the FY19 budget on October 18.
- We are featuring several new displays at the library, including books promoted on the recent PBS show “The Great American Read.”
- The Bookkeepers Book Discussion Group, which meets monthly on the third Friday morning, celebrated their 12th anniversary in October. Maria Dent, who has been the volunteer discussion leader for the entire time, will soon be stepping down and we will be honoring her at the November meeting.
- Library staff has launched a new project. We are doing an inventory of books and materials included in the library’s collection. With a current collection of 47,972 items this is truly a long-term project.
- The library hosted the Adult Services Forum, a special interest group of the Illinois Heartland Library System, on Friday, November 2.
- Staff members Jennifer Lawyer and Pam Schmahl attended a cataloging training session led by Illinois Heartland Library System staff on September 25.
- Youth Services Librarian Marissa White attended the Illinois Reading Council Conference in Peoria on October 4-6.
- Marissa and staff member Sandi Hayes participated in the Performers Showcase in Clinton on November 6. This is an opportunity to see samples of what performers

could bring to summer reading events. They also attended a meeting with other youth services staff from central Illinois libraries that afternoon.

- I attended the conference of the Association of Rural and Small Libraries on September 13 and 14 in Springfield.
- I also attended the Illinois Library Association Conference in Peoria on October 9-11.

Respectfully submitted,

Rachel Miller

November 8, 2018



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LIBRARY COMMISSION MEETING NOTICE

The Village of Forsyth Library Commission has scheduled a meeting for
Wednesday, November 14, 2018 at 1:00 p.m.

This meeting will be held in the Program Room at the Forsyth Public Library.
The agenda for the said meeting is attached.

If you have any questions, please call the Library at 877-8174.

Library Director
Rachel Miller

cc: Mary Jo Rowley
Bernadette Birkholtz
Ken Kirschner
Pat Parr
Rebecca Wayne
Julia Livingston
Richard Moore
Trustee Kerry Denison
Trustee Bob Gruenewald
Trustee Dave Wendt
Trustee Jim Peck
Trustee Jeremy Shaw
Trustee Kerstin Trachtenberg
Mayor Marilyn Johnson
Village Administrator, David Strohl
Village Clerk, June McCormick
Community and Economic Development Coordinator, Nic Duffle
Village Vision