

Berkley Public Library Board Meetings Minutes November 20, 2019

Present: Matt Church, Library Director; Rita Van Brandeghen, Chairperson; Carol Hermann, Amanda Rohda, Mary Jo Armstrong, and Christopher Rennie, Board Members; Natalie Price, City Council Liaison.

Meeting Convened 7:00 p.m.

Minutes from October 16th meeting were approved as printed.

Librarian's Report:

The Library Director presented his reports on staff, building and grounds, programming, finances, technology, and the Friends of the Berkley Public Library fundraising.

Highlights of the report include:

- The Berkley Public Library and Royal Oak Library hosted a memorial service for Chris Girard, friend and colleague.
- The Halloween themed Tale on the Trail was very well attended (200 people). Tale on the Trail is a partnership between the Berkley Parks and Rec and Berkley Public Library.
- The monthly Hoopla download limit was increased from three downloads to four downloads per cardholder.
- 46 people attended the family pumpkin decorating program.
- Due to a registration malfunction, 190 people the Dan the Creature Man program.
- Angell Elementary took a field trip to the library.
- 18 teens attended a sushi making program.
- The library hosted a Chamber of Commerce Berkley U program. 18 people attended.
- A senior information kiosk was installed at the library. It will be stocked by a volunteer.

Old Business:

Circulation: October was a great month for circulation. Circulation increased again this month and was the highest for an October in years.

New Business:

The Library will be closed on December 20th for active shooter training.

The meeting was adjourned.

Next meeting – December 18, 2019.

Respectfully Submitted, Amanda Rohda