

Corrales Community Library Board

Meeting Minutes

February 8, 2007

I. Attendance

President Nancy Kelby called the meeting to order at 7:30PM in the Library.

Members present: Louis Baudoin, Kay Burgess, Ginger Foote, David Johnson, Bill Wible and Donna Wylie. Library Director Carla Spencer was also present.

II. Agenda

The Board approved and accepted the agenda as presented.

III. Minutes

Minutes were approved and accepted as presented.

IV. Librarian's Report (Please see attached report).

Items discussed that were not in the report include:

A. It was announced that applications are now being taken to replace Pam McKellar.

B. Repairs to Carla's office have been completed as of 3/8/07.

C. Two hot water heaters and one toilet (women's WC) have been replaced.

D. Bids are being accepted for the replacement of the roof top air conditioning units.

E. Carla reported that the Family Board Game nights have become a big hit and attendance is growing.

F. Carla and Company have agreed to assist Mr. Fred Hampton, a local Boy Scout Leader, with a program that distributes books by Tony Hillerman to a number of sites on the Navajo Reservation. The first stage of this effort was so successful that a plea is out for more editions to be contributed.

G. Mr. Jim Wright, head of the local Kiwanis Club, has a desire to establish a Sister Library at a yet-to-be-determined location in Mexico. After some discussion, the Board suggested that Mr. Wright be invited to the April Meeting to present his ideas.

E. The book bags provided for the participants of the Summer Reading Program are becoming more sophisticated. This year they will be created (by Edwina Tafoya) from a sturdy canvas material and display an image designed by local artist Diana Radford.

H. New Library cards have been designed and will include a color photographic image of the front of the building. They will be available by the beginning of summer.

V. Old Business

A. Planning for celebrating the library's 50th Anniversary is progressing slowly. . Carla has received an extensive collection of old newspaper articles from the State Archives concerning the development. Several local residents have been approached and asked to contribute some vignettes about the library's history.

August appears to be a formal focal point for the organization of program and events.

B. The board discussed a growing frustration with the parking situation for the Library. Wednesdays (all day) as well as Tuesday and Thursday afternoons are

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especially problematic. Programs scheduled in the park and the Library on those days fill the current parking facility far beyond its capacity.

A new situation has arisen concerning school buses. Many APS field trips bound for Casa San Ysidro prefer enjoying their lunch break in the park instead of at the Museum. Because of this buses routinely park on La Entrada outside the library and wait until groups have finished their lunch. By doing this they block the right of way on La Entrada and often prevent automobiles from entering the parking lot. There is no provision for bus parking in this area, nor should there be. It was suggested that a set of "No Bus Parking" signs might help solve the problem.

A question arose about the availability of the Gonzales property just north of the bank building as a solution to the parking dilemma in general. Could a portion of this property be leased by the Village for that purpose?

As problematic as parking is, the Board agrees that it is a Village/Parks issue. Usage of the Library and the park is increasing dramatically. Providing safe and ample parking for both these facilities is paramount in the future success of "Downtown Corrales".

VI. New Business

The development of a comprehensive plan for the future of the Village of Corrales has been announced. Carla reported that initial contact has been made concerning the library's place in this process. Formal meetings are being scheduled in the near future.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for April 12, 2007. The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 PM.

Respectively submitted,


Louis Baudoin

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT
JANUARY 2007
STATISTICS

	<u>January 2007</u>	<u>December 2006</u>	<u>January 2006</u>
Walk-ins:	3000	2436	2248
Registration:	42	42	48
Acquisitions:	220	116	271
Loss & Discard:	71	37	143
Circulation			
Adult books	1158	1213	1205
Juvenile books	1391	1318	1303
YA	92	107	76
Periodical	34	53	52
Adult Media*	561	727	518
Inter-Library	8	4	4
Children's Media*	180	213	237
Southwest Room	67	54	58
In house Reference	305	245	288
TOTAL	3796	3934	3741

PROGRAMS--Children

Story time with Edwina's story time friends (Wednesday, 10:00 AM):

January 3	no children (snow)
January 10	17 children
January 17	14 children
January 24	cancelled due to roof work
January 31	18 children

Dinosaur Craft with Edwina
January 20 19 children

Teen Knitting with Edwina
January 10 7 teens

PROGRAMS—Adult

Meetings

Bosque Commission: 1/11

Library Board: 1/11

Friends of the Corrales Library: 1/8

Bicycle Advisory Commission:

Harvest Festival Committee:

Library Hours

The library was closed on January 1st for New Year's Day and January 15th to observe the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

Library Personnel

Total scheduled (desk) volunteer hours for the month of January 2006: 356 hours.

Library News

We are now keeping a count on computer users on the Gates computers. In January, there were a total of 545 users signed in.

The ceiling above the director's office was repaired after a new roof was installed and the skylights were replaced during the week of January 22nd.

Game Night has been introduced on Tuesday evenings at the library. Families are encouraged to bring their own board games or use the library's collection. There are now a group of young people playing Scrabble and Clue every Tuesday evening in the library.

An article will appear in the Corrales Comment in February requesting stories to be submitted of recollections of the library's first fifty years. Submissions can be sent to Nancy Kelbley by e-mail or brought into the library. Hopefully, some will be published in the Comment during the coming year.