

STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF TARRANT  
CITY OF GRAPEVINE

The Library Board of the Grapevine Public Library of the City of Grapevine, Texas met virtually in the Regular Session on the 17th day of January 2022 at 6:30 pm via Zoom. The following members present to-wit:

Lynda Brown	Chairman
Sonia Duque-Miyashita	Member
Megan Li	Member
Suzanne Matthews	Member
Gerald Shannon	Member
Krishna Shenoy	Secretary
Jane Trasier	Member

constituting a quorum with the following member of the City staff: Ruth Chiego, Library Director. The Library's City Council Liaison, Darlene Freed, was not in attendance.

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Meeting was called to order by Lynda Brown at 6:31 pm.

2. CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Gerald Shannon, seconded by Lynda Brown, to approve the September 27, 2021 meeting minutes.

Ayes: Unanimous

Nays: None

4. OLD BUSINESS

Year to End Report

Year to end report was submitted and reported an increase in patronage, circulation, particularly in 3D printing (128% increase) from the previous year. Increases in activity on social media accounts, both in terms of comments and followers, were also reported. 14% increase in membership, due to events such as the City of Grapevine Staff Library Card Sign-Up event.

New Additions to Collection

Board games, Adult Playaways, Bingo Boxes were added to the collection and all items show high circulation numbers. OverDrive digital magazine usage was at an all time high. GPL had the highest checkout of digital magazines in Tarrant County.

GPL App Update

Starting January 1st the app will be offline as upgrades are performed that add new features and improve usability. Release of the improved app is to be determined.

eSports Open House

Open house was a huge success with 1700+ people attending the event. The Open House event and outside promotion of eSports Academy has resulted in steady use and high engagement. MAP eSports Network and Arlington eSports conducted 8 podcast recordings about eSports development and careers. New digital signage for the eSports area has been installed.

5. NEW BUSINESS

### Library Programs

- Dinovember features dinosaur related programs for children and families.
- Genealogy + Local History Blog included a History of the Library 1971-1990.
- Bookopoly reading game for all ages to encourage patrons to read and check out different types of materials.
- 33 board games available for checkout. These games have increased circulation of other game/gaming related materials. Game nights are currently scheduled for 3rd Monday, but will test other days to see which day has the best turnout.
- Holiday Programs included Uptown Carolers, Flutasia, Scrooge Crabby Craft Party, Read-to-a-Dog.
- Art Exploration, these monthly painting events are very well-attended and have improved the circulation of related studio art materials.
- Knit and Crochet Circle has resumed and is all open to all skill levels and ages.

### Teen Think Tank and Teen Volunteers

Recent improvements to the Teen Volunteer program and the Teen Zone have resulted in increased engagement with Teens. Staff are receiving seeing more participation and receiving more feedback from Teens regarding the types of programs they want to see at the Library.

### Collaboration with the REC's Winter Camp

Provided support to the winter camp program with the Library's STEM and tech exploration activities.

### Homework Helpers and Read-to-a Teen

Free after school homework help for elementary school age students offered by Library Staff, volunteer educators, and high school Seniors. No registration is required for this drop-in format. Students can also read to a Teen to practice their reading skills.

### Job Search Assistance

Job search assistance and child care assistance is a topic of concern for patrons. The Library is working with Workforce Solutions of Tarrant County to educate patrons about resources, training, unemployment benefits, and young adult and child care services.

### Collaboration with Community Outreach Center

This event included a volunteer clean up, lunch (250 served), and fun outdoor activities. The purpose was to highlight services offered by the REC, COC, and Library and receive feedback via survey.

### Outreach Activities (Purple Wagon Report)

- Community Outreach Center - made improvements to shelving, organized collection, hung posters, created Reading Corners and made the space more inviting and conducive for reading and learning.
- Mini-GROW Carts installed at VAST locations, Grace, Gatehouse, and Grapevine Animal Services
- National Night Out
- Trunk-or-Treat
- Parade of Lights
- A Visit From Santa
- Special Needs Adults - continue Library interactions with Club All Access, Transitions, and Champion Services and Goodwill STARS
- Seniors - improved engagement with book chats, creation of Reading Corners, refreshing GROW cards, improving large print offerings, and Library field trips

### New Staff

- Christina Proctor, Cataloging Librarian (pt)
- Shruthi Hemasaundur, Youth Services (casual)
- Gracie Burkhard, Library Aide (pt)
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### Miscellaneous

Artisan Market was a huge success generating \$1785.75. Next year Market is scheduled for December 3-4, 2022. The Library Board's page on the Library website is being updated with photos and some fun trivia about Board members.

The Library will participate in a total of 10 sessions at the April 25-28, 2022 Texas Library Association Conference at the Fort Worth Convention Center.

6. **Next Board Meeting**

The next Board Meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 18, 2022 at 6:30 pm.  
Board Members voiced their appreciation of Ruth and Library Staff.  
There was no formal action taken.

7. **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Gerald Shannon, seconded by Janee Trasler, to adjourn meeting. Meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm.  
Ayes: Unanimous  
Nays: None

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE LIBRARY BOARD OF THE CITY OF GRAPEVINE, TEXAS on the **18th day of April 2022.**

APPROVED:

Lynnda M Brown  
Chair

ATTEST:

Kedra Lewis  
Secretary