

The Paden City Public Library Board of Trustees met for their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, October 22, 2024. Margaret Sine, Joanna Casto, and new member Tim Hizer were in attendance with library director Danielle Ice-Davis. Barbara Slider and Rick Bertozzi (another new member) were unable to attend.

Margaret Sine brought the meeting to order and welcomed Tim Hizer by giving a brief history of the board of directors and their duties. The financial report was then presented. Joanna Casto made a motion to accept the report, Margaret Sine seconded, and the motion to accept was passed. Mrs Sine also presented a book by local author, Jan Thornton "Why Me?" as a donation to the library by PEO Chapter U, of New Martinsville, WV. The book will be added to the library collection and a thank you will be sent to Mrs Thornton and PEO Chapter U.

Next Ms Ice-Davis gave the library report. She stated that StoryTime attendance has been low, but they will continue the program (with a Halloween Party on October 24th) though November 8th. Ms Ice-Davis attended the WVLA Fall Conference at Oglebay Resort October 2-4 and presented a session on the 2025 CSLP Theme and her time at the CSLP conference in Denver. The annual Pumpkin Decorating program (held on October 5th & 7th) was a success as always. The library is going to collaborate with Ms Carlyn Slider at PCHS to do the Literary Poe Pumpkins again. The library was represented at Sistersville's Hocus Pocus in the Park on October 17th where they handed out Paden City Library Coloring Books – there were estimated to be around 400 attendees – about 250 children. We were also represented at Paden City's Haunted Trail where we gave away 532 books – and then Paden City Library Halloween activity sheets to the remaining 152 ticket holders (the crowd was estimated to be around 1250). These events are great exposure for the library and most of the children were so excited to receive their very own book! The library will also hand out candy (donated by an anonymous patron) during Paden City's Trick or Treat on October 28th and again at Tyler County Head Start's Trunk or Treat on October 31st. Ms Ice-Davis reported that Brian Rogers is continuing to lead LEGO Club at our library on the 2nd Thursday of each month. The librarians are hoping to hold an Adult Craft Program during November and a Children's Craft for December. Margaret Sine made a motion to accept the library director's report, a second by Joanna Casto, the motion carried.

The next meeting will be held on November 18th. Adjournment by consensus.

Respectfully Submitted,

Danielle Ice-Davis