

AGENDA FORM 2022

The Hennessey Library Board will meet May 9th at 4:30PM at the Library's Brick Cafe.

1. Reading of Minutes
2. Library Reports
 - a. Financial
 - b. Library
3. Other Reports
 - a. Brainstorm: Board Candidates
 - b. Brainstorm: Staff Interview dates and times
4. Recommendations
5. Accept/Reject Resignations
 - a. April 29th – Jennifer Valles
 - b. July 15th – Lyndsey Kopsa
6. Citizen's Comments
7. Other Matters Unforeseen

This notice was posted at the Library on May 6th at 6:00pm by:

Lyndsey Kopsa, Library Director

April 2022

Book it to the Library

Bittersweet Goodbyes: Library Staff Resignations

On April 18th, Jennifer Valles, Children's Librarian, submitted her two-weeks' notice. Jennie was hired February of 2019 under previous Library Director, Ruth Ann. She hosted three successful Summer Reading programs, including one at the height of the Covid-19 pandemic; participated in outreach story times with the Dover and Hennessey Elementary schools, provided aid to our Hispanic patrons, mentored youth volunteers, and was a confidant for many members of the community. Her final week at the Library was celebrated by Hennessey youths, as well as many well wishes from regulars. On April 29th, she ended her final day with a message posted on our Facebook page:



It is with a heavy heart, to announce that I will no longer be the Children's Librarian. 😞
For the last 3 years I have created amazing bonds with families & their children, we have come so far together making memories, starting with summer reading, other programming, & sometimes just hanging out. I want to thank everyone, for giving me the opportunity to get to know you & your families & for letting me be a part of this community. I have to say, these 3 years have been amazing, & I am thankful to have met all of you. 🥰
Sincerely,
Jennie Valles. ✨

Also on April 18th, Lyndsey Kopsa, Library Director, submitted her resignation for July 15th, 2022. Hired in January of 2019 as Circulation Librarian, Lyndsey came from Kansas with a Master's degree in Library Science and a thirst to learn about all aspects of Librarianship. Following the Covid-19 shutdown of 2020, she was appointed Interim Library Director until she was officially titled in March of 2021. She has promoted and assisted with three Summer Programs, various FOL fundraisers, and the future planning for the Library. Lyndsey was hired as Library Director at the Frank Carlson Library located in her hometown of Concordia, KS. Lyndsey's goal for her last two months is to prepare the Library for a transition of staff, as well as hire and train a new Library Director to take over in July.

Now Hiring: Library Director and Temporary Library Assistant

The Town of Hennessey is currently accepting applications for a new Library Director, and a temporary full-time Library Assistant during the summer months. Please visit the Library's website or Facebook page for more information.

<https://hennesseypl.okpls.org/>, <https://www.facebook.com/HennesseyPublicLibrary/>

I would like to thank everyone in the Hennessey Community for supporting us for the better part of four years. This community welcomed us strangers like friends and we will never forget the people we've met here. It has given me great joy to service the Town of Hennessey and Kingfisher County as your Librarian and mentor. Had it not been my hometown and an opportunity to return to my family, I would have happily spent many years in this place. Once again, thank you - Lyndsey Kopsa