



LIBRARY BOARD

Minutes
April 1, 2010

Meeting Summary

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Roll Call

Present: Bob Juszynski, Laurie Huff, Kerry Pettis, Tom Reid, Laura Russell, Geoff Urland

Also attending: Roberta Depp, Linda Reynolds, Colleen Sawyer, Deb Simpson, Michelle Pearson

Agenda Minutes

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m.

Minutes

Approved as written unanimously.

Reports:

Friends of the Library – Roberta Depp

The friends approved additional funding for children and teen library programs and are preparing for the next (small) book sale. They will pay for the teen advisory board's food and the teens will help at the book sale.

Foundation – Guest report from Michelle Pearson

Foundation will meet next week and bricks have been ordered. The American Guides project that the foundation was going to support has been postponed by the project initiator.

One Book One Broomfield - Kerry Pettis

Will meet next week. Behind the scenes preparation is going on and the author is excited to be involved and will be here for Friday and Saturday festivities during the One Book week. Official announcement of the book will be in August.

Sustainable Broomfield - Geoff Urland

The Sustainable Broomfield Committee had an open house and will be meeting to revise the plan in light of public comments. Tom contributed the fact that Comcast's requirement to have a new always-on digital box is antithetical to the core tenets of sustainability.

Director's Report Highlights

March has been very busy as circulation is up 10% year to date, program participation is up 11% year to date, and internet usage is up 40% year to date. New patron registration rate is slightly declining, but even so 482 new cards were issued in March.

The Express Checks are handling 67% of the library's circulation volume (up from just over 40% in September when they debuted). The goal is to eventually have them handle 75% of circulation.

The Children's department is being more proactive in outreach to the local schools, focusing on teacher outreach. This last month saw a book talk at Emerald Elementary and a presentation on the library's databases for numerous Broomfield teachers. Because of staff cuts in local districts (including librarian positions) school use of the public library is likely to increase.

The library will partner with a local seed company for the adult Summer Reading Program; seed packets will be some of the incentives.

Old Business

Review of Policy Handbook II.B, II.D, II.E

Policy II.B (access policy) was approved by the board unanimously with the change under eligible users of adding "(as consistent with city policy)."

Policy II.D (Circulation Policies) was approved by the board unanimously after changing the material type of 'Downloadable Audiobooks, Music, Video' to "Downloadable Materials."

Policy II.E (Interlibrary loan) was examined in a first reading, and several suggestions were made that will be examined and approved at the next meeting.

Policy II.F will be reviewed at the next meeting.

Library Advocacy

Library committee in Colorado has put together a packet and scheduled workshops around the state to train and spread information to help communities advocate for their libraries. Roberta and Colleen Sawyer will be attending training in Fort Collins next Thursday around general advocacy. Groups for Colleen to advocate to were discussed in the committee.

Adams 12 Meeting Update

Nothing to report at this point since the school district has been occupied with budget cuts.

Superior update

We are waiting to see the results of Superior's election on April 6th to see if they continue to financially support the Louisville Library through a tax increase.

New Business

Review of Bylaws

Revisions to sections 4.05 (explicitly including Annual meeting) and 5.04 (duties of secretary).

Officer Elections

Bob Juszynski (as Chair), Kerry Pettis (as Vice chair), and Geoff Urand (as Secretary) were elected officers by acclamation.

Committee Assignments

Kerry is willing to continue with the One Book, Geoff is willing to continue with Sustainable Broomfield. Tom Reid was appointed the representative to the Foundation and Laurie will be the representative to the Friends. This was approved by acclamation.

Departing Member Appreciation

The Library provided a certificate of appreciation and a library pin for the outgoing members Colleen, Deb, and Michelle.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:31 p.m.

Approval

Minutes Prepared by Geoffrey Urand—Library Board Secretary

Approved by _____Chair