# City of Bellevue Library Advisory Board

# Monthly Meeting Minutes June 19, 2018

#### **Opening**

The regular monthly meeting of the City of Bellevue Library Advisory Board was called to order at 5:06 PM on June 19, 2018 in the meeting room of the Newport Way Library, by Kim Anderson, President.

#### **Meeting Attendance:**

Board Members Present: Kim Anderson, Chad Davis, Cris Dreher, Barbara Spindel.

Board Members Absent: Gunjan Murarka

KCLS Representatives: Cecie Streitman, Bellevue Library Regional Manager; Kirsten Corning,

North Central Regional Manager

Friends of the Bellevue Library: Julie Schuman

Newport Way Library Association: Barbara Spindel

#### **Public Comment Period:**

One public visitor attended and presented data and spoke on several issues including:

- 1. Providing better advance visibility on the Bellevue city website about which branch monthly board meetings will be held in as well as more timely posting of monthly meeting minutes.
- 2. Concerns about whether or not citizens are receiving sufficient value for the amount they pay in taxes to support the library;
- 3. Whether or not library spending priorities align with usage trends;
- 4. Advocacy for more resources to be put towards E-books and programs for youth literacy;

Board members suggested that topics 2-4 would be better addressed to KCLS and that the public comment period at the monthly KCLS board meeting would be a good venue.

#### **Approval of Minutes:**

Minutes for May 2018 meeting were approved without changes. They will be posted on the LAB One Drive and filed with the Deputy City Clerk.

# **Regular Business**

# Agenda Item 1 – Introduction of New Board Members

Kim Anderson reported that two new board members had accepted offers to join the board to replace outgoing members. Ankit Saraf and Jillian Salem will join board meetings starting with the July meeting.

# Agenda Item 2 - Introduction of Cecie Streitman

Cecie Streitman is the new regional manager for Bellevue libraries and the new liaison to the Bellevue Library Advisory Board. In introducing herself she noted that she had previously been the Regional

Manager for the Southeast region and in that capacity had served as KCLS Liaison for the Maple Valley and Enumclaw Library Advisory Boards and also worked to build and maintain productive community relationships with civic leaders, government officials, and Friends of the Library groups.

#### Agenda Item 3 - City Council Presentation

An updated draft of the upcoming report to the Bellevue City Council was presented. The Board discussed and offered changes and edits. Kim Anderson will incorporate the feedback and circulate a final draft to board members with enough time to meet all deadlines leading up to the presentation.

#### **Reports:**

# . Bellevue Friends of the Library

No BFoL report due to time constraints of the agenda.

#### Newport Way Library Association:

No NWLA report due to time constraints of the agenda.

# KCLS Staff Report

No KCLS report due to time constraints

#### **New Business:**

No new business was submitted.

#### Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 6:40 PM by **Kim Anderson, President**. The next general meeting will be at 5:00PM on July 17, 2018, at the Bellevue Library.

Meeting Agenda: Will be distributed by Kim Anderson, President, prior to the next meeting.

Minutes Submitted By: Chad Davis, Board Secretary