

Approved – June 21, 2016

City of Bellevue
Library Advisory Board
Monthly Meeting Minutes
May 17, 2016

Opening

The regular monthly meeting of the City of Bellevue Library Advisory Board was called to order at 5:03PM on May 17, 2016 in the Newport Way Library by Judy Bailey, President.

Meeting Attendance:

Board Members Present: Judy Bailey, Chad Davis, Cris Dreher, Loretta Lopez, Alice Lee, Peter Maxim, and Barbara Spindel.

KCLS Representatives: Debra Westwood (Bellevue Cluster Manager), Kirsten (Newport Way Library Operations Manager), and Deborah, Newport Way Children’s Librarian

Public Comment Period:

No members of the public requested time for comment.

Approval of Minutes from April 2016 Meeting

The minutes were approved as submitted through motion, second, and unanimous vote.

Old/Continuing Business:

Election of Board Officers for 2016-17 Term:

Chad Davis, President; Peter Maxim, Vice President; Cris Dreher, Secretary by unanimous vote of the members.

Member Reports:

Barbara Spindel reported on placing Library information on Bellevue Neighborhood News. Can do this if there are jointly sponsored City/Library events. Other venues for neighborhood news were mentioned and will be explored further.

Barbara Spindel reported on the May meeting of the KCLS Board of Trustees. There may be some rescheduling of a future meeting due to the Director’s absence. The Director has proposed and it was agreed to remove the “legacy fines” from the budget. A discussion emerged to eliminate fines altogether since they create a barrier to continued library usage.

Debra Westwood provided updates and listing of upcoming events and volunteer opportunities for Board Members to participate. Everyone will check their calendars to see which activities they can support through the summer.

Debra and Peter will coordinate how to continue to supply the Wilburton Street Library kiosk with flyers and other information. A new “street library” has popped up near Kelsey Creek Farm Park.

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KCLS meeting schedule is published on the website and agendas are distributed by Maria Hatcher.

New Business

Summer Programs:

Summer Feeding Program. All children are eligible to come to the library and receive a lunch. Possible volunteering opportunity for Board monitors. Different days for each library. Information is provided to the schools for dissemination. Lake Hills will not be participating due to space and scheduling constraints. Both of the “Friends” groups will be providing snacks for the adults accompanying kids.

Farmer’s market table will be at Crossroads but not at Bellevue due to scheduling constraints requiring a weekly commitment for the season. It appears that differing rules for each are not consistent and more investigation is required about how we might participate.

Summer Reading for Adults for anyone 18 and up. Books read can be rated and a prize will be awarded.

Summer Reading for Teens (Get in the Game) will have reading prizes also.

Summer Reading for Kids program is returning to its earlier format focused on reading as opposed to “summer learning” including other activities. Reading minutes levels will receive achievement recognitions and prize potential. “Let’s Read” will be at Lake Hills and Newport Way Libraries to provide books to kids that may not have one at home. Summer school students will be bussed to the Library for additional reading focus.

Newport Teens program in support of English language learners supporting both kids and their parents. Successful program for the Library and provides volunteer opportunities for students to achieve their high school requirements.

Reading in the Park – Bellevue July 24 12-2pm

KCLS at the Bellevue Arts Fair in July– Volunteers needed. Significant amount of work and high level of visibility

BiblioCommons library patrons panels surveys collect information patron views and perceptions. This is the link:

<http://bibliocommons.us2.list-manage1.com/subscribe?u=22a0f003adb9e3c2de953621d&id=341d122b00>

Question: Have any issues been raised on the Transgender Bathroom Usage? KCLS follows State Law on this issue and has not had any problems related to this situation.

Newport Way Friends:

Sculpture dedication coming on Saturday with refreshments. All are invited

Children’s Books mini-sale coming up and quality books are available at reasonable prices.

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The KCLS Foundation is changing its excess book sales outlet that will affect the Friends of the Library finances since they receive a substantial amount of their funding through this source

Adjournment:

Meeting was adjourned at 6:20PM by Judy Bailey, President. The next general meeting will be at 5:00PM on June 21, 2016, at the Lake Hills Library.

Agenda for Next Meeting:

Will be distributed by Chad Davis, President, prior to the June meeting.

Minutes submitted by: Cris Dreher, Board Secretary