

Library Board of Trustees Meeting Agenda Thursday, March 20, 2025, 6:30 PM Camas Public Library, 625 NE 4th AVE

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ROLL CALL

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

This is the public's opportunity to comment about any item on the agenda, including items up for final action.

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V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the February Meeting Minutes.

VI. EXPENDITURES APPROVAL

Approval of the February Expenditures.

VII. AGENDA ITEMS

- A. Building Project Update.
- B. Administration Work Plan.
- C. 2024 Annual Report.
- D. Discussion of the executive order that disbands the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS).

VIII. REPORTS

- A. Friends & Foundation of the Camas Library (FFCL).
- B. Personnel.
- C. Policy.
- D. Second Story Gallery (SSG).

E. Trustee Reports.

IX. NON-AGENDA ITEMS

X. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is April 17, 2025.

XI. CLOSE OF MEETING



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I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Marilyn Boerke, Emelia Brasier, Samantha Horner, Rosemary Knapp, Christopher Knipes, Kerry Ticknor, Jessie Wimer, Connie Urquhart.

Guest Presenters:

Vanessa Perger Elliot Stapleton

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

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There were no Public Comments.

IV. COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

Nary a one.

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of the February Meeting Minutes.

Rosemary made the motion to approve the February Meeting Minutes; Kerry seconded her motion. None were opposed.

VI. EXPENDITURES APPROVAL

Approval of the February Expenditures.

The February Expenditures were approved by Jessie and Sami prior to the meeting.

VII. AGENDA ITEMS

A. Outreach Service Plan: Elliot Stapleton.

Elliot outlined the Library's extensive Outreach plans for 2025. The plan is available upon request.

B. Programming Service Plan: Vanessa Perger

Vanessa outlined the Library's vigorous Programming Team's plans for 2025. The plan is available upon request.

C. Building Project Update.

Bids came in today and all were still a million dollars over our budget. Moving forward, we are not yet sure what the renovation will look like. Options include the following:

- 1. Go out to bid a third time.
- 2. Focus on exterior renovations only, which has the grant attached to it. Additional funding would still be necessary.
- 3. Put the children's Library on hold indefinitely.
- 4. Narrow the first stage of the renovations to the ELC, its hallway, and the STEM room.
- 5. Re-review the renovations for potentially further cuts.

VIII. REPORTS

A. Friends & Foundation of the Camas Library (FFCL).

- 1. Still working out the scheduling for the subcommittee meetings vs. the regular quarterly meetings.
- 2. There is a lot of energy and a lot of ideas.
- 3. Elliot stepped up to help streamline volunteer recruitment.
- 4. The next book sale will be at the Camas Plant & Garden Fair 2025 on May 10.
- 5. Limit fundraising to one big event per year.

B. Personnel.

The Library Aide position closes March 7. Currently there are more than 100 applications.

C. Policy.

Nothing to share currently.

D. Second Story Gallery (SSG).

Next month is *Fill the Gallery*. This event is open to Kindergarteners through fifth graders. Each kid can submit one to two pieces of artwork. February 28 is the deadline. The Gallery will simultaneously be offering Artist Talks for the kids to explain their artwork. These talks will include a kid-friendly project.

The April exhibit will be focused on Earth Day, with the title being confirmed as Roots of a Movement: Denis Hayes, Camas, and Earth Day.

In December there will be an exhibit like the *Small Wonders* event *Art at the Cave* holds, with its official title TBD. There will be items that are giftable, with everything costing under \$100. Spots in the show are limited, and participants will be by invitation only. This event will be held on a night other than *Hometown Holidays*, which is First Friday, December 5, 5-8pm.

E. Trustee Reports.

Rosemary shared that there was an article in *The Columbian* about the recent Board of Trustees meeting at Fort Vancouver. A group of attendees were calling for the elimination of Drag Queen Story Hour, which FVRL has not held since 2019. Connie added that another group was present to rally against the banning of books.

Rosemary also alerted the Trustees to a documentary that premiered at the *Sundance Film Festival* in January. Called *The Librarians*, it focuses on librarians in Texas, Florida, and other parts of the South, and the struggles they are undergoing while protecting the right to read.

IX. NON-AGENDA ITEMS

There were no non-agenda items.

X. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is March 20, 2025.

XI. CLOSE OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 8:06 p.m.