



Library Board Meeting Minutes
September 09, 2021
6:00 PM

Pro-Tem Chairperson Absent: Desri Hansen
Board Members Present: Jayne Detering, Anita McClure, and Angie Christensen by phone
Staff Present: Library Supervisor Lori Ross, Librarians Cheryl Spangler and Amanda Pelkey
Meeting Location: Harrisburg Municipal Center @ 354 Smith St.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL at the hour of 6:01pm

CONCERNED CITIZEN(S) IN THE AUDIENCE. None present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Christensen **motioned to approve the minutes for the July 8, 2021, meeting and was seconded by Detering. The Board then voted unanimously to approve the minutes for the July 8, 2021 meeting.**

THE MATTER OF FILLING A LIBRARY BOARD VACANCY

STAFF REPORT: Ross informed the Board and staff that the City received two applications for the open Board position and both applications were included in the agenda packet (EXHIBIT A). One was from Kristi Prozialeck who was present for the meeting and the other was Katherine Hansen who was not present. At this time, Ross asked applicant Prozialeck if she would like a moment to tell the Board about herself and why she applied to be on the Board.

- Prozialeck addressed the Board stating that she wanted to look for volunteer opportunities to help out her community and she thought the Library would be a great place to volunteer as she has fond memories of her previous hometowns' Library. She has always enjoyed books and reading.
- McClure told Prozialeck that she was really glad she was here and that we needed more people that were really in love with the Library.

- Ross thanked both applicants for applying to be a part of the Board and stated that if we have an opening in the future, that we would love for either applicant to apply again.
- Detering **motioned to recommend to the City Council that they appoint Kristi Prozialeck to the Library Board with a term ending June 30, 2022, and was seconded by McClure. The Board then voted unanimously to recommend to the City Council that they appoint Kristi Prozialeck to the Library Board with the term ending June 30, 2022.**

THE MATTER OF DISCUSSING 2021 LIBRARY PROGRAMS

STAFF REPORT: Ross opened the discussion about Library Programs with the announcement that the Story Time Program will be returning, Friday, September 10th.

- McClure informed the Board that we are also going to be starting the Care Givers Support Program. Spangler made some flyers, EXHIBIT B, for the program and McClure has been distributing them to ministerial associations in Harrisburg and Junction City and stated they are all excited about the program. She also delivered some to the Medical Clinic in Junction City as well as Country Counseling in Harrisburg.
- Ross asked when the program was going to start, and McClure answered the 22nd of September.
- Christensen left the meeting, via phone, at the hour of 6:13pm.
- McClure stated that the Care Givers Support Program will offer participants ideas, methods to help each other and offer support. She will also occasionally have a specialist attend. The program will be one hour to begin with, starting at 1:30pm.
- Pelkey spoke of the Story Time Program. She stated the Library used to hold a Baby Time and a Toddler Story Time program, but decided to combine them both, since the same kids generally attended both. Volunteers for the program are Hansen and Lori Pelkey. Both Spangler and M Pelkey will be helping with the program.
- Pelkey stated that the Lego Program will begin on Saturday, the 11th of September. The Library purchased new Lego's and she was able to find a Lego Club curriculum and her first program will be ziplining which will include the children building vehicles, buildings and having them zipline. She commented that it was good for fine motor skills.
- Spangler stated that she has been waiting for the okay, to start the Dungeons and Dragons program and she has had some adults state that they were interested as well. Ross stated that once we have a volunteer, we can pinpoint a time for the program. The Library doesn't need to be opened when the program is running as long as we have an authorized volunteer.
- Ross pointed out the brochure, EXHIBIT A, for the Library and McClure suggested lightening up the dark backgrounds to make it easier to see.
- McClure suggested the restart of the Knitting/Crochet Program. Prozialeck stated that her mom participated in the knitting program when it was last held. Spangler stated we have books on different things to knit, like flowers and eventually we could make a quilt. Prozialeck said that she could volunteer for the program, and she could teach a flower every month. Ross said she would email Prozialeck the volunteer form. Spangler and Pelkey mentioned it could be

held inside the Library. Ross said that once we have her volunteer application approved and orientation completed, we can decide on a start date and time.

- Pelkey suggested having a program for early literacy and learning to read. Spangler suggested reaching out to the schools to see if there were any students who would volunteer. Pelkey to look into materials needed and curriculums. Both Spangler and Pelkey thought maybe Thursday, after school would work.
- Ross asked about Halloween and the holidays and if we wanted to do something special. McClure suggested having a pumpkin painting contest, outside. Spangler suggested a “ladies’ night” contest program where local businesses could participate. Ross suggested a costume contest. Pelkey thought it was a reasonable idea and that we could hand out goodie bags to patrons who visited. McClure said she could contact local business about donations for prizes. Pelkey said we could have a prize for a child and an adult.
- Spangler brought up the idea of putting a mural on the outside wall of the Library. McClure stated that we have amazing artist in town, and they could do it for free. Spangler handed out **Addendum A** showing some ideas she had and pointed out some of her favorites. McClure said there is an artist in Junction City who is amazing, Rachel Joy. Pelkey agreed. Spangler said she would want it on the east wall and have it wrap around to the north. Ross noted the board liked the idea and would like to go forward. Spangler and Pelkey to get idea on the cost, and to narrow down a design. McClure to reach out to Rachel Joy.
- Spangler stated that she would also like to make a sign décor to place in the front of the Library.

OTHER:

- Ross updated the Board with the number of books checked out by the Oregon Digital Library Consortium. In July there were 47 E-Books or Audio Books checked out and in August, there were 66. She also stated that the Library is going to participate in an additional service through the ODLC that will give the Library the opportunity to purchase books that are only available to our patrons and not the whole consortium. She stated this will be a great service to offer when there is a book that is in high demand with a long wait list. Spangler thought this was an exciting offer.
- Detering informed the Board that she was turning in her resignation effective tonight. She has enjoyed every moment on the Board and its bittersweet. She stated this is a great time to get new people on board with new ideas and she still wants to see the new Library get built. Board and staff thanked Detering for being a part of the Board and said that she would be missed.
- Ross informed the Board that she would advertise next week for a new Board Member and leave it open until the middle of October.

ADJOURN at the hour of 6:50pm



We could wrap it around the side of the building so the girl and the dragon will be on the side, the boy would be on the front. We could put read on the side of the building or leave it out.

The kids could be close to the ground, but some shadowing under them.

I have done this before at home, just use a projector, draw the outline then paint it black. I could do it.



Another corner one



This would look great on the side of the building



