



MARCH 24, 2021 – LIBRARY BOARD MINUTES

Attendees:

Cassidy Nemelka
Heidi Taylor
Ron Campbell
Lisa Robins
Millie Smith
Mary Heers

Minutes from January approved – motioned by Lisa, Ron seconded. Unanimous Vote.

Budget Report– Heidi reported that she is working with Daphne to get the 65% city support needed for state certification. She will also double check with Liz at the state to see if the brick sales can go towards the 65%. Heidi stated it is Rick’s busy time with the budgeting, so things are mostly unchanged. Rick reported at the FOL meeting that the budget is on track, but the checking account is getting lower.

Director Report– Mary commended Heidi and the board for progress being made at the library. Heidi wanted to reiterate what was said at the FOL meeting, which was encouraging board members to become dues paying members of the FOL to help support the library. It would also be an incentive, as discounts will be made available to members.

City Council Report – Ron mentioned that the patio furniture proposal was brought before the city council. There were a few concerns about movable furniture scratching the bricks on the patio. Heidi also reported that benches were recommended rather than chairs so they will not be stolen. Ron also recommended putting together a time table plan on when the furniture will be put into place and to keep Kirk Taylor in the loop. Mary would like to proceed as soon as possible with the table and umbrella to draw attention to the patio for the May Day celebration.

Patron Proposal - The board reviewed the new policy proposal regarding non-resident card fees and approved it. The next step would be to share the proposal with the city council for their review. After that, Heidi’s goal is to implement the new policy in August, so there is enough time to review Mountainside students and staff with the principal.

3 Year Strategic Plan– The board reviewed the 3 year plan proposal. Mary noted that one of the goals is geared towards drawing in more teen involvement at the library, as well as encouraging a position on the board. Heidi pointed out impactful gearing the library towards teens is. It created friendships and fostered responsibility. Mary would like to encourage teens to volunteer as the first step to joining the board. The board discussed the appropriate age group to be involved on the board. The board unanimously agreed that 16 years or older would be the best. Millie was also pleased to read through the plan and see many of the goals are being actively achieved.

Amazon Registry - Heidi demonstrated how to access the Mendon Library gift registry. The link will be placed on the new website and is already in place on social media. Members of the community have already begun contributing and buying items for the library off of the registry. Heidi encouraged board members to share any ideas of things to add to the registry.

New Library Website – Heidi presented the new library website, which is mostly finished. Heidi encouraged the board to comment on any changes or suggestions if needed. The website also connects to the Utah State Library, which offers a variety of resources. It also links to the librarian's Goodreads profiles for reading recommendations. The FOL also has their own page, which also has a donation button.

Open Items - Mary would like to continue Story on a Stick and get better wooden frames. Mary encouraged the board to check out Story on a Stick and come with comments for the next meeting.

Motion to adjourn - Millie, seconded by Lisa

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm