



Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Coeur d'Alene Public Library Board of Trustees

June 22, 2022

Meeting held in Library Community Room and via Zoom

Trustees Present:

Katie Sayler, Board Chair, Library
Jim Windisch, Board Vice Chair, Library
Steve McCrea, Board Member, Library
Ann Smart, Board Member, Library
Fay Sweney, Board Member, Library

Others:

Kiki Miller, Council Liaison, Zoom
Holly Stetson, Library Foundation, Library
Tyler McLane, Circulation Librarian, Library
Michael Priest, Library Director, Library

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Board Chair Katie Sayler at 4:04 p.m.

Public Comment: Rachelle Ottosen said that libraries should be tasked with protecting children and not harming them. It is her belief that the library's participation in the Pride in the Park event as well as LGBTQ+ materials within the children's collection are causing harm. She thinks the library owes the public an apology.

Lis (no last name given) said that the library should be a wholesome, safe place for children. She feels the library needs to repair its relationship with the public by issuing an apology for its participation in Pride in the Park.

Consent Calendar: Motion to approve, Steve; second, Fay. Approved.

Director's report: The Library of Things is open and the early response has been positive with items checking out quickly. Staff will monitor how it all goes and make changes as needed. The library hopes to add more items as funding allows. Donations may also be sought. The Library of Things is posted on the website at cdalibrary.org/services/library-of-things/. More robust advertising will occur in July. In recognition of a substantial donation from local resident Sandy Emerson to the Library Foundation, a plaque for the Emerson family has been added to the Heritage Wall. The library will be hosting a ceremony to unveil the plaque in the Community Room on June 24 from 3:30 p.m. A ceremony for the winners of the 2022 Julie Meier Writer's Competition on Saturday, July 2 from 1-3 p.m. Winners will accept their awards and read short samples of their work if they choose to.

Council liaison: Kiki said that City Council is preparing for the next part of FY 2022-23 budget process with a workshop on July 19. The Regional Housing and Growth Issues Partnership is awaiting more data on the economic outlook for housing in the area, which they hope to share soon. City Council approved

a full Iron Man event for 2023 at the June 21 meeting. Kiki felt that the economic benefit to the region was a strong point in favor.

Friends: The Friends' next scheduled meeting is June 28. They have been generously funding prizes for the Summer Reading Program. Katie would like to have an update on the total the Friends have spent at the end of summer.

Foundation: Holly said that members of the Foundation's board will be in attendance at the ceremony for the Emerson family on June 24, along with herself. The Foundation will be participating in the July 4 parade downtown in the MudgyMobile. Ticket sales for the Jess Walter author talk event on July 14 are slowly picking up. Holly expects a rush as the date draws closer.

Long Range Plan review: The trustees reviewed the updated plan that contained their suggestions from the May 25 meeting. Katie wanted clarification about the last objective under Goal #3 concerning online payments. Michael explained that this was being explored at the Cooperative Information Network (CIN) level. There had been discussions in the past, which have restarted again. The fact that CIN is a group of separate tax-funded entities in Idaho and Washington who share the same integrated library system but have differing accounting practices makes it fairly difficult to find a solution. Fay had two further suggestions. The first was to change the word "record" in the last objective under Goal #8 to "analyze". The second was to separate the two sentences within the last objective in Goal #1 since they seemed like two different objectives, and may have been in past versions of the document. Motion to approve the updated Long Range Plan, Ann; second, Jim. Approved.

3-D Printing Policy review: Michael presented an updated policy with several changes that reflect current procedures. This included the ability for patrons to make a submission online and the removal of charging patrons for the service since it has been, and continues to be, free. Motion to approve the updated 3-D Printing Policy, Jim; second, Steve. Approved.

Upcoming meeting dates: The trustees agreed to hold their next two regular meetings on July 27 and September 7. (The July 27 meeting was subsequently postponed until August 4).

Next regular meeting – August 4, 2022 at 4:00 p.m. in the Library Community Room and via Zoom.

Adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Michael Priest