

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

May 12, 2021

Trustees Present:

Others:

Katie Sayler, Board Chair Ann Smart, Board Vice-Chair Fay Sweney, Board Member Jim Windisch, Board Member Ali Cranney, Student Representative JD Smithson, Communications Coordinator Michael Priest, Director

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Board Chair Sayler at 4:04 pm. Board member McCrea was excused.

Public Comment: None.

Lake City and NExA branch updates: Michael presented an analysis of the Lake City branch and planned NExA branch that included a review of qualitative evidence, statistics and long-range planning considerations. JD shared her experiences from the 4+ years that she was branch manager at Lake City. The trustees concluded that there were several different paths forward that fit in with the library's mission, but the first step was to arrange a sit-down meeting with the school district to discuss the partnership. Michael requested further assistance in connecting with the school district as he has still not managed to get hold of anybody in administration. Anne and Jim will reach out to their contacts.

FY 2021-22 budget proposals: The trustees reviewed Michael's updated proposal. The position for the planned library branch Northwest Expedition Academy Elementary School (NExA) was added to the budget request. Additional information was provided about the Services & Supplies budget lines that assisted in distinguishing city funds from funding via other sources such as grants, the Library Foundation, and the Friends of the Library. Motion to approve the 2021-22 budget proposal, Jim; second, Ann. Approved.

Next regular meeting – June 2, 2021 at 4pm

Adjourned at 5:38 pm

Respectfully submitted, Michael Priest