



Board of Trustees

Meeting Agenda

Thursday, December 8, 2022, 5.15p
Broughton Room
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Present: Library staff April Witteveen, Cindy York, Sean Briscoe. Library trustees Jerry Bishop, Cheyenne Edgerly, Natalie Good, Debra Merskin, LaQuita Stec

I. Call to Order (5:15pm)

- i) Additions/deletions from the agenda; approval of agenda (**ACTION**)
- ii) Conflicts/potential conflicts of interest: NO
- iii) Announcements: This is a board meeting not a public meeting. Please direct comments or questions to the board and please limit comments to 3min.

2. Consent agenda (ACTION) (5:20pm)

- a. Minutes of November 10 regular meeting
- b. Motion: Jerry Bishop
- c. Second: Natalie Good
- d. Approve: Yes

3. Reports (5:20-5:40pm)

- a. Friends
 - i. Working on Christmas book sale
 - ii.
- b. Circulation services
 - i. We approach the one-year anniversary of our Words on Wheels program (a program created to fulfill the library's mission by offering services to eligible residents who are homebound). We reflect on the learning opportunities this type of outreach provided staff and determine the next steps in moving forward.
 - ii. We had 104 new during the month of November 2022. This November month is higher compared to the last three previous Novembers.
 - iii. During the month of November, circulation statistic highlights are self-checkouts: 251 (11/23), counter checkouts: 188 (11/29), and check ins: 379 (11/14).
- c. Public services

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- i. Our Winter Reading Program will begin on December 10 and will run through January 3. This year's Winter Reading Program will utilize a bingo card.
 - ii. Ready to Read grant report has been submitted to the state library. This report demonstrates the impact the Ready to Read grant has in supporting our early literacy efforts and summer reading.
 - iii. Children, Teen, and Adult programming continues to be well attended. We currently are working on a teen survey and have received over 70+ results.
 - iv. Community partnerships are growing. We are currently partnering with Cornerstone Housing community and SNAP OSU extension to bring different programs out to the community.
- d. Director
- i. New Wi-Fi thermostats are being installed now that the new furnaces are running.
 - ii. New lighting is coming to the main library space. we will now have appropriate "downcast" lighting that will provide more direct light than the previous fixtures and will hopefully avoid the serial bulb burnout we've been experiencing since the current fixtures were fit with LED bulbs.
 - iii. We have updated our loanable telescopes. The old scopes had seen significant use, and now there are more affordable options for a table-top model that is easy to check out. The two new telescope kits each contain an Orion StarMax 90mm tabletop telescope, a star chart, and a headlamp.
 - iv. Director discusses highlights from her tenure at Crook County Library. In addition, the director discussed the transition after her departure on December 9.

4. Financials/Statistics Review (5:40-5:50pm)

5. Continuing business (5:50-6:30pm)

- a. Updates on conversations related to LGBTQ+ materials
 - i. Proposals for recataloging and relocating juvenile materials with LGBTQ+ themes
 - ii. Ramifications related to the relocation proposal; speakers will include Lynne Mildenstein from Deschutes Public Library, Emily O'Neal from the Oregon Intellectual Freedom Committee, and Buzzy Nielsen with the State Library of Oregon
 - 1. Emily O'Neal (Oregon Intellectual Freedom Committee: Oregon Library Association)
 - a. Responded to and provided intellectual freedom information in regards to Crook County Library's proposal request to move the LGBTQ materials in a separate section.
 - 2. Lynne Mildenstein (Deschutes Public Library)
 - a. Discussed the partnership and contractual agreement between Crook County Library and Deschutes Public Library. In addition, the ramifications of creating a separate LGBTQ shelf at the Crook County Library.
 - 3. Buzzy Nielsen (Program Manager Support & Developmental Services, State Library of Oregon)
 - a. Discussed public library establishment and minimum condition of public libraries.
 - 4. April Witteveen

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- a. Delivers a statement from the Crook County Court
- iii. LaQuieta asks community show of hands on who supports proposal #1 or proposal #2

6. Public Comment (6:30pm-7:15pm)

7. Motion to put the subject of LGBTQ books in kids room on the agenda for next month's meeting

- a. Motion: Jerry Bishop
- b. Second: Cheyenne Edgerly
- c. Motion fails (yea votes: 2 / nay votes: 3)
 - i. Yea votes: Jerry Bishop, Cheyenne Edgerly
 - ii. Nay votes: Natalie Good, Debra Merskin, LaQuita Stec

8. Motion to vote now on the two proposals presented to the Board of Trustee on the subject of LGBTQ books in kids' room

- a. Motion: Natalie Good
- b. Second: Debra Merskin
- c. Position Passes (yea votes: 3 / nay votes: 2)
 - i. Yea votes: Natalie Good, Debra Merskin, LaQuita Stec
 - ii. Nay votes: Jerry Bishop, Cheyenne Edgerly

9. Motion on to keep proposal of status quo (proposal #2)

- a. Motion: Debra Merskin
- b. Second: Natalie Good
- c. Motion Passes (yea votes: 4 / nay votes: 1)
 - i. Yea votes: Jerry Bishop, Debra Merskin, Natalie Good, LaQuita Stec
 - ii. Nay votes: Cheyenne Edgerly

10. Agenda items for next meeting, January 12, 2022

- a. Review of New educational items

11. Adjournment (7:45)

- a. Motion: Debra Merskin
- b. Second: Jerry Bishop

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