



LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

January 10, 2017

5:45 pm

Library

Members Present: Santina Addy, Dwight Morrison, Jenessa Ables, Bart Hinkle, Mary Jo Evans and Jenny Benda

Also Present: Mollie Good [Head Librarian]

- I. Call To Order [1747 hours]
- II. Roll Call / Introductions
Absent: Shelley Stubblefield
- III. Approval Of The Minutes
1. November 8, 2016 Minutes – Amended to correct Rich Long’s name. The Meeting Minutes of November 8, 2016 were approved as amended.
- IV. Public Business From The Floor
None
- V. Reports
1. Library Director

Year end Library report will be included in the Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services Department Report. This should be on a Council Agenda in February.

The board members reviewed the Library Report. Dwight asked if the Council and public will understand terms such as Mango Languages. Mollie said she will add definitions where necessary.

Bart said he found the report informative. He did not realize the Library offered test proctoring services.

Mary Jo asked the status of carpet replacement project. Mollie confirmed the project is still in the works. The Capital Facilities Director is currently out of state but she is going to schedule a meeting to discuss the project upon his return. Mollie added that she would like to look into getting more outlets prior to the new carpet installation.

2. PWSC Liaison

Mollie is still working on finding a PWSC Liaison. The college has seen many transitions recently, but she hopes to make contact with the new liaison soon.

VI. Unfinished Business

1. Discussion Item: Book Basket Auction as a 21+ event.

Mary Jo said it would be wise to consider hiring a bartender with a TAMS card to serve wine. She expressed concerns regarding liability and the possibility of legal actions against the City and/or Board Members.

Jenessa said she recalled consideration for a 21+ event being in response to crowding issues rather than liability issues.

Jenny suggested subtly encouraging attendees to leave their children at home rather than making the event 21+.

Dwight asked the Board Members which issue was a greater priority, crowding or liability. Bart felt the crowding was a more pressing issue and the Board Members agreed they have not seen an issue with minors or over-serving at past events.

Jenessa suggested making the event 21+ in 2017 and bringing it back up for discussion depending on the outcome.

The Board Members discussed other space and attendance solutions such as showing a movie for children downstairs. It was decided that staffing would be spread too thin if there were separate children's activities and that it would be unwise to encourage parents to bring their children to an event where they may consume alcohol before driving their children back home.

Dwight said it is important to remember the focus of the Book Basket Auction, which is fundraising. He said additional room for adult attendees

may be beneficial since children do not often raise funds. Mollie added that all ages are welcome to attend every other Library event.

The Board Members unanimously voted to make the Book Basket Auction a 21+ event in 2017.

Dwight suggested floating the concept to regular attendees of the Book Basket Auction in advance to avoid any surprise. Mollie, Jenny and Dwight agreed that verbiage including “due to space and liability” would successfully communicate the reason for the change.

VII. New Business

1. Open House in the spring?

The Board Members agreed there should be an Open House in 2017. They discussed September as possibly being a good time. Mollie felt September would be appropriate to reintroduce the community to the library after the summer season and the start of the school year. This would also allow for the completion of the carpet replacement.

VIII. Board Business From The Floor

IX. Announcements: Next Meeting - February 14, 2017

X. Adjournment [1820 hours]