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## Library Board Meeting

### Approved Minutes

July 15, 2021 - 6:30 PM

1. Call to order: Meeting called to order by Judeen Bartos at 6:35 pm.
2. Roll call: Judeen Bartos, Kelly Farrah, Amanda Hanlin, Daniel Hooper, Kevin Yezbick. Director Jenny Marr and Recording Secretary Kerrie Patterson also present. Adrienne Fazzolara and Meghan Evoy absent with notice.
3. Approval of agenda:  
**Motion: Approve the agenda.** (Hanlin/second Farrah); passed unanimously.
4. Public comment: None.
5. Minutes: Approve June 17, 2021 regular meeting proposed minutes:  
**Motion: Approve June 17, 2021 regular meeting proposed minutes.** (Yezbick/second Hooper); passed unanimously.
- 5A. Approve June 17, 2021 closed session proposed minutes:  
**Motion: Approve June 17, 2021 closed session proposed minutes.** (Hanlin/second Farrah); passed unanimously.
6. Director's report: (See att.) The library is back to normal operating hours. Unique Management collection services will be turned back on as of August 1, 2021. Freegal music subscription will start August 1, 2021 as well. The library is in the process of hiring 3 part-time staff. These are to fill positions vacated but not re-filled during the pandemic shutdown. Interviews begin next week. Time Capsule photos are uploaded onto Biblioboard. Capital projects are underway; Marr is awaiting plans and quotes from other parties.
7. August meeting rescheduling: The Dream Cruise will begin the day following the current scheduled meeting date. Move meeting to August 12, 2021.  
**Motion: Reschedule the August meeting from August 19th to August 12th.** (Yezbick/second Farrah); passed unanimously.
8. Strategic Planning/DEI discussion: Marr reached out to New.org for a quote for strategic planning facilitation and DEI training. NEW is all virtual right now and not sure when they will return to face-to-face. Board discussed options and it was agreed that in-person strategic planning would be preferable and should occur after DEI board training. Strategic planning is likely to begin in early 2022. Marr and Hanlin will followup with NEW.
9. Courtyard usage policy update: (See att.) Marr and Farrah updated the Board on their latest progress. General consensus was that reserving the courtyard for private events was not feasible. Reservations

would be limited to library, school and city events. They are going to work with library legal counsel to develop a special use policy for festivals and large events.

**10. Acceptance of expenditures and finance reports for the month of June:** (See att.) Tweaks may happen leading up to the audit/after the audit. Under budget on all expense items.

**Motion: Accept the expenditures and finance reports for the month of June.** (Yezbick/second Farrah); passed unanimously.

**11. Committee reports:**

**A. Art & Exhibitions:** (See att.) No additional report.

**B. Friends of the FPL:** Still looking for a treasurer. The bookstore is open again and the library is accepting donations (with a limit of 2 boxes per person at a time). Volunteers are back in the building.

**C. Equity, Diversity and Inclusion:** No further discussion.

**D. Finance:** Did not meet in July. No report.

**E. Personnel:** No report.

**F. Schools:** No report. Bartos said the Ferndale students did a good job at the Juneteenth event.

**12. Committee membership appointments as needed:** Not needed.

**13. Review action items:**

**A. Marr** will see if there is a DTE Energy grant for the lighting project.

**B. Hanlin** will look for the old patron survey in the board Google Drive for EDI statistics.

**C. Marr** will get a firm quote and date from New.org for an EDI workshop.

**D. Farrah** will continue the courtyard policy draft, while Marr will see what the landowners of the former church charges for use of their space during festivals.

**14. Announcements/comments from board members:**

**A. Farrah:** We got through it! She's happy to be back in the library, and overheard that the community was too when she was in the building last.

**B. Hooper** is excited to be back.

**C. Yezbick** thanked Marr for the summer reading shirt.

**D. Bartos** thanked the library staff for the seamless re-opening.

**15. Adjourn:**

**Motion: Adjourn the meeting at 7:39 pm.** (Farrah/second Hooper); passed unanimously.

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