

Bonneville County Library District

Minutes of the Bonneville County Library District Board of Trustees Annual Meeting June 13, 2024

Called to order at 9:10 am by Board Vice-Chair Karen Harris

Present: Karen Harris, Rebecca Blackson, Jennifer Crofts, Library Director Michelle Tolman, and District Clerk Myra Judkins. Jenni Cragun joined by phone. Debra Haacke was excused. Kathy Kula was the only member of the public in attendance.

On a motion duly made and seconded after due deliberation, the following resolution passed:

RESOLVED, that the consent agenda was approved. The consent agenda included: the minutes from the previous meetings May 9th and June 3rd, the financial report for May, and the clerk hours reports for May. (Jen motioned; Rebecca seconded.)

In accordance with Idaho Code §33-2719 the annual meeting of the library district board of trustees was held.

The board elected new officers according to the procedure outlined in the district's by-laws. Until the next annual meeting, the Chair will be Karen Harris and the Vice Chair will be Rebecca Blackson. The officers of the board were approved by unanimous vote. (Jen motioned, Jenni seconded.)

The regular meetings of the board will occur on the 2nd Thursday of each month through the next year. Due to individual conflicts, the meeting date for July was changed to the 3rd Thursday. The specific dates are: July 18, August 8, September 12, October 10, November 14, December 12, January 9, February 13, March 13, April 10, May 8, and June 12. The regular meeting dates for the next year were approved by unanimous vote. (Rebecca motioned.)

The board by-laws were reviewed by the board and no changes were determined necessary at this time. (Jenni motioned, Jen seconded.)

The annual meeting was concluded and the board skipped ahead on the agenda to the household fee portion of the meeting.

There was no public comment on the household fee.

On a motion duly made and seconded after due deliberation, the following resolution passed:

RESOLVED, that the household fee be set to \$67.50 and the non-resident fee be set to \$70.00 for the 2025 fiscal year. (Jen motioned, Rebecca seconded.)

Stephanie Bonney, the district's attorney, joined by videoconference at 9:28. Many questions about what the Children's School & Library Protection Act requires of the library were discussed. It was also noted that the newness of the law is likely to mean that there may be changes as general understanding of how it will be applied evolves. The law requires that the library have a form to allow patrons to request reconsideration and/or relocation of materials. Parents are still the ones to decide what is appropriate for their children. If there are concerns, they should be discussed with staff and the director. The board makes the ultimate decision if the concerns are not alleviated through discussion. Stephanie is confident that the district does not contain any materials that would meet the requirements of the new law or that would be considered harmful

to minors. A few other questions were asked of the attorney about general library policies and operations. Stephanie is willing to not charge the district for travel costs nor hours of travel for in-person visits if she is already planning on visiting the area. She is also glad to join via technology. The videoconference portion of the meeting was then concluded.

On motions duly made and seconded after due deliberation, the following resolutions passed:

RESOLVED, that the district use the Request for Reconsideration Form provided by Stephanie Bonney with the addition of a section for office use including the dates received by staff and director. This is in place of adopting the Rights for Minor's Policy and accompanying forms. (Jen motioned, Rebecca seconded.) Jenni Cragun requested that the minutes reflect that she abstained from the vote.

RESOLVED, that the Personnel Policy be updated to include where to find current information about PERSI and PERSI contribution rates. (Jen motioned, Rebecca seconded.)

RESOLVED, that the Circulation Policy be changed to reflect the current card types offered. (Rebecca motioned, Jen seconded.)

RESOLVED, that the Policy Development Policy was reviewed and no changes were deemed necessary. (Jen motioned, Rebecca seconded.)

RESOLVED, that the changes to the Collection Development Policy be approved with wording to describe the reconsideration process including how it applies under the Children's School & Library Protection Act. (Jen motioned, Rebecca seconded.)

RESOLVED, that the district's policies, beginning with the Collection Development Policy, be reviewed by legal counsel on a timetable that Michelle will research and determine. (Karen motioned, Rebecca seconded.)

Debra Haacke requested that Karen read a statement in her absence to share some of her questions, comments and concerns.

No decision was deemed necessary on the Rights for Minors Policy and accompanying forms due to the board voting to use the Request for Reconsideration form provided by Stephanie Bonney.

The board appreciates the notice about director speaking engagements and would like to continue to be informed. However, no vote was deemed necessary and they will not be an agenda item in the future.

Michelle reported that May started off with epic Star Wars Day activities on Saturday, May the Fourth, including trivia challenges, padded sword fighting competitions, inflatable light sabers, paper masks and refreshments of Yoda Soda and Luke Skywalker. The Mandalorian and Jessi the Clone Trooper came for pictures and even had a lightsaber duel. May programs and activities continued to include STEAM classes, Crochet class, Mother Daughter Book Club, Dungeons and Dragons, Computer Classes, Spanish and English Classes, Hobby Board Games, Homeschool Education Series, and Storytimes. The library also had a booth from a local scouting troop that provided opportunities to learn how to solve brain puzzles. The progress of the Ucon branch was also discussed along with plans for how it will continue to

grow. It was determined that Rebecca Blackson and Debra Haacke will sign the Ucon lease once it has been finalized and approved by our legal counsel.

There was no Friends of the Library report, nor any public comment.

Jen left at 11:09.

The next regular meeting will be held Thursday, July 18th, 2024 at 1:00 pm at the Ucon Branch, 10918 N Yellowstone Hwy, Ucon, ID 83454. This will be the preliminary FY2025 budget meeting to prepare for the public budget hearing in August.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:12 pm by unanimous vote. (Rebecca motioned, Jenni seconded.)