

**MINUTES
WATAUGA LIBRARY BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
VIDEOCONFERENCE
MAY 13, 2021
6:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Woodruff called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Kip Woodruff	Chairperson/Place 7
Lindsey Neal	Vice-Chairperson/Place 1
Kristen Chapman	Secretary/Place 6
Sharon Subjeck	Member/Place 5 (Absent with Notice)
Henrietta Egenti	Member/Place 4
Carol Z. Coy	Member/Place 3 (Absent without Notice)
Vacant	Member/Place 2

and

Lana Ewell	Library Director
Dana Harper	Adult Services Librarian
Art Miner	Mayor and Council Liaison
Andrea Gardner	City Manager/City Secretary

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

REPORTS FROM STAFF

1. Presentation and discussion on sustainability in the Public Library

Ms. Harper presented the report that included an overview of the American Library Association's core values, and how the Watauga Public Library demonstrates sustainability. Ms. Harper also provided information on how libraries can encourage reading without incentivizing through the use of give-away items. She explained how the the ALA and WPL can find new ways to partner with the community.

2. Report and discussion on the Watauga Library Operations

Ms. Ewell reported that the library has officially opened to the public and staff has continued to provide curbside and mobile printing services. The public has been agreeable to the use of the temperature and covid monitoring device in the lobby. The library is open regular hours except for Saturdays.

Ms. Ewell also provided updates regarding the timeline for leaving MetrOPAC stating that Fort Worth is willing to continue the courier service for the MetroShare group until September, but it would not include Fort Worth Public Library material. The members of the new consortium (Burleson, Haltom City, Keller, Richland Hills and Watauga) should

continue to place holds on the new items. As of Monday, June 14, 2021, people will no longer be able to place holds on FWPL material or have them sent to the Watauga location. Also, beginning July 1, 2021, Watauga cardholders will no longer be able to use their cards at Fort Worth Library locations.

Ms. Ewell stated that there has been multiple Bywater meetings and training sessions are scheduled the week of July 19, 2021, in which the library will be closed for staff training. The Summer Reading Program starts June 1, 2021. The first major program is a "Kick -Off" with In-N-Out Burger providing meals. The summer activities will be virtual or held outside of the building. BeanStack and/or the Page Turner programs will be used for virtual events. Storytime in the Park will also start in June.

Chairperson Woodruff inquired regarding Covid procedures in which Ms. Ewell responded that it will not be a problem. Chairperson Woodruff also inquired regarding computers, social distancing, and restrooms. Ms. Ewell responded that computers not in use are powered off, patrons are asked to stay with their family, and restrooms are cleaned daily.

Vice Chairperson Neal asked about the process with the other MetrOPAC libraries that are leaving. Director Ewell explained that MetroShare will be composed of everyone except the Fort Worth Public Library and would officially begin in the Fall.

Ms. Egenti inquired regarding computer usage and sanitation. Ms. Ewell responded that computers cleaned frequently, and keyboard covers are used which make sanitizing easier.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Request to Speak forms were not received.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY FOR ACTION ITEMS

Request to Speak forms were not received.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Discuss and consider action on the Library Board Meeting Minutes for March 11, 2021

Vice Chairperson Neal made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 11, 2021, Library Board Meeting. The motion was seconded by Secretary Chapman. As there was no further discussion, Chairperson Woodruff requested the vote be taken by a show of hands. Motion carried 4-0-0-2.

Ayes: Woodruff, Chapman, Neal, Egenti

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Coy, Subjeck

2. Discuss and consider action to recommend to the City Council a change to the regular Library Board Meeting schedule

Ms. Ewell explained why it would be beneficial to change the meeting day from Thursday to *Tuesday* as it will allow her to attend board meetings without understaffing the library during open hours.

Vice Chairperson Neal made a motion to meet the second Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. in City Hall. The motion was seconded by Director Egenti. As there was no further discussion, Chairperson Woodruff requested the vote be taken by a show of hands. Motion carried 4-0-0-2.

Ayes: Woodruff, Chapman, Neal, Egenti

Nays: None

Abstain: None

Absent: Coy, Subjeck

ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Woodruff adjourned the meeting at 6:37 p.m.

APPROVED: this 13th day of July, 2021.

SIGNED: this 13th day of July, 2021.

APPROVED:
Kip Woodruff /s/
Chairperson

ATTEST:

Kristen Chapman /s/
Kristen Chapman, Secretary

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