



**MINUTES
WATAUGA LIBRARY BOAD
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 14, 2024
WATAUGA COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Woodruff called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

ROLL CALL

The meeting convened with the following members present:

Kip Woodruff
Lindsey Neal
Kristen Chapman
Pedro Rivera
Sian Brannon
Henrietta Egenti
Whitney Isbell

Chairperson/Place 7
Vice-Chairperson /Place 1
Secretary/Place 6
Member Place 2 (Absent)
Member/Place 3
Member /Place 4 (Absent)
Member/Place 5

and
Sandra Gibson
Linda Proskey
Randy Barkley

Interim City Manager/Finance Director
City Secretary
Fire Chief

PUBLIC COMMENT

No Requests for public comment were received.

PUBLIC TESTIMONY FOR ACTION ITEMS

No Requests for public testimony were received.

REPORTS

Library Director's Report

Director Ewell reported on events in March and April. The Eclipse programs were well-attended and varied. Bluey Day was also a large success, with 590 attendees. In April, there was a Friends of the Watauga Library Book Sale and Craft Fair, which allowed weeded and discarded books to be removed. Pet Therapy is back on the calendar, with two school visits going well. Toddler Gardening had 309 people, which was a much larger crowd than expected, and it went very well. Rough statistics for April show that circulation is up around 13% compared to last year, holds are up 16%, and door count is up 8%, with program attendance staying steady. Most of the programming numbers will come in during the summer.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Discuss and consider action on the March 12, 2024 Library Board Meeting Minutes

Member Brannon requested a correction on the minutes to reflect her excused absence.

Member Brannon made a motion to have the minutes corrected. Secretary Chapman seconded the motion.

Motion passes. 5-0-0

Ayes: 4 Woodruff, Neal, Chapman, Brannon, Isabell

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: Egenti, Rivera

ACTION ITEMS

1. Discussion and action on Proposed Revision of Watauga Public Library's Confidentiality Policy.

Director Ewell presented revisions to the Library Confidentiality Policy. She said the current policy is out of date because it referred to the Patriot Act that expired in March of 2020. The staff also wanted an overall legal review to ensure the policy is still legal. Member Brannon asked for information on various points and suggested further clarification.

Vice Chairperson Neal motions to table item, pending review with added notes from Member Brannon. Member Brannon seconded.

Motion passes. 5-0-0

Ayes: 4 Woodruff, Neal, Chapman, Brannon, Isabell

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: Egenti, Rivera

2. Discussion and action on Proposed Revision of the Watauga Public Library's Circulation Policy

Director Ewell presented revisions to the Circulation Policy. She stated that the changes came about because of a member coming in and returning books that were infested with insects.

Member Brannon asked for information on various points and suggested further clarification. She also would like the name changed on the document to Library Circulation and Services Policy.

Vice Chairperson Neal motions to table item, pending review with added notes from Member Brannon. Vice Chairperson Neal motion.

Motion passes. 5-0-0

Ayes: 4 Woodruff, Neal, Chapman, Brannon, Isabell
Nays: 0
Abstain: 0
Absent: Egenti, Rivera

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA

There were no future agenda items.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Chairperson Woodruff adjourned the meeting at 6:38

APPROVED: this 10th day of September, 2024
SIGNED: this 10th day of September, 2024

APPROVED:

L. Neal /s/

~~Kip Woodruff, Chairperson~~ Lindsey Neal, Vice-Chairperson

ATTEST:

Kristen Chapman /s/

Kristien Chapman, Secretary