



Idaho Falls Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes
February 23, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. in Library Meeting Room 1

Called to order at 4:02 p.m. by Board Chair Mary Lund.

Present: Mary Lund, Kristin Hall-by phone, Claire Pace, Hal Peterson and Rodd Rapp. Councilmember Michelle Ziel-Dingman, Library Director Robert Wright, Beth Swenson, Aleisha Stout and Tyrone Dickerson were also in attendance.

There was no public comment.

Hal Peterson motioned to accept the consent agenda as written. Rodd Rapp seconded this motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Staff reports were given from each department.

Beth Swenson reported on Adult and Young Adult library departments. The Library is in the process of hiring new employees. Beth will train the staff herself. Professional development is ongoing. Each staff member is allotted time each week to learn about collection development, attend webinars, reading books to sharpen their skills, etc. The adult and young adult graphic novel collections are being evaluated.

Tyrone Dickerson reported on an 18-week course called Idaho Lunch where he will be learning about software development. There is a \$5,000 grant for this class with the library paying the remainder of the cost.

An employee will be moved to work on the second floor. This employee will run Makerspace which includes 3-D printers, coding for kids, sewing, Cricut machines, die cut machines to name a few.

A MineCraft party for the library patrons was discussed as was licensing for Minecraft account, LAN for Minecraft party, etc.

Aleisha Stout reported on the Children's department activities. The photo background with different backdrops for all patrons to take pictures with their friends or families. There is story

time for children, families, KinderPrep program, STEM activities, crafts, and many other activities.

STEM grants are available for libraries.

The estimated start date for the water tower project is May 1, 2023.

Councilmember Michelle Ziel-Dingman the city budget process for this year. The city compensation study was also discussed.

Claire Pace made a motion to update the current Patron Code of Conduct Policy to add huffing to item g. Line g. will now read:

Behavior that may interfere with library services, employees, or other visitors is forbidden. This behavior includes but is not limited to:

g. Smoking, Vaping or Huffing

Rodd Rapp motioned to approve the submittal of a letter of intent for the Idaho Library Facilities Grant. Claire Pace seconded this motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Hal Peterson motioned to have the Mae Neuber funds spent on audiobooks and eBooks. Rodd Rapp seconded the motion. The motioned carried unanimously.

The next meeting will be held Monday, March 27th, 2023.

The meeting adjourned at 5:45 pm.