

Summit County Library Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Date: November 17, 2022

Location: Coalville Branch - Hybrid in person/Zoom Meeting

Present:

Dan Compton, Joyce Housley, Heather Hoyt, Jesse Meshkov, Loralie Pearce (Phone),
Laura Schmidt, Malena Stevens, Emily Stolen, Carrie Willoughby
Quorum present

Absent: Amanda Norton, Tina Pignatelli

Meeting called to order by Joyce Housley at 6:05 p.m.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve September 15, 2022 minutes made by Emily Stolen, 2nd by Carrie Willoughby. Minutes approved.

Public Input: None

Administration:

Director's Report – Dan Compton

Goal 1 – Expand the user experience for our library patrons.

Extended Access Hours (Open+) –

Registered Open+ user numbers have increased. Usage increased in September but decreased in October.

Outdoor Wi-Fi concerns at the Kimball Junction Branch –Deputy Nguyen and Captain Wright said that individuals parking overnight or staying long term have decreased since signs were installed in the Richins Building parking lot.

2023 Budget Request – The Budget Committee and County Manager's Recommended Budget for 2023 is out and ready to be reviewed. County Council will vote for approval before the end of the year.

Kamas & Kimball Junction Lockers – The Kamas and Kimball Junction book lockers have been installed and are ready for testing for use.

Goal 2 – Create programs and offer resources that connect with the ever-changing and growing Summit County population.

Friends of the Library –The annual FOL meeting/election is scheduled for Nov. 15. The Friends raised close to \$5,000 for Live PC Give PC.

Streaming Devices – Streaming devices are now circulating. Device history clearing procedure is in place for privacy. Patrons are showing interest.

Virtual Author Events – Virtual author events continue to be successful. There was a recent article about this program in the Park Record.

Neal Shusterman Author Visit – Neal Shusterman’s visit is on Nov. 29. Staff and the community are preparing and advertising for this event.

Utah Native Plant Society – The library’s partnership with the Utah Native Plant Society is continuing to progress and grow. Dr. Joseph Wilson spoke about Native Bees of Utah at the last meeting.

Traveling Art Exhibit at the Kamas Branch – Kamas is currently displaying the State traveling exhibit titled “Ancient Painters of the Colorado Plateau”.

Goal 3 - Nurture a culture where all staff feel empowered and valued.

Library Team Day –The Library Team Day was earlier this month. The majority of the library staff attended with Janna Young. The keynote speaker was Rebekah Cummings, University of Utah - Digital Matters Interim Director, Utah State Library Board – Chair. She spoke about censorship and recent efforts of book banning around Utah, with staff brainstorming on how we can be more informed/prepared for challenges.

Report Accepted

Old Business: None

Committees:

Governance and Education

Chair: Tina Pignatelli, Members: Emily Stolen, Jesse Meshkov, Loralie Pearce

Plans for a committee meeting are in the works with the suggestion of brainstorming and goal setting regarding the censorship information from the library Team Day keynote speaker Rebekah Cummings.

Strategic Planning and Marketing

Chair: Laura Schmidt, Members: Carrie Willoughby, Joyce Housley

About 20 people attended a meet and greet held by the Marketing Committee. Marilyn Cowley, the Friends previous President was invited to present. The Friends of the Summit County Library was introduced, the rules for the organization were shared, the needs of the Friends, the resources available, and opportunities for future growth were discussed. Nominations were accepted for Board Members. After a follow up meeting, two other meetings have been held since.

The Library Board and the New Friends Board will try to be in front of the County Council more frequently to share library successes, needs, and plans. The Library has so many successful programs, activities and community offerings that the Council needs to hear about.

Review of the Strategic Plan is ongoing.

Building and Facilities

Chair: Amanda Norton, Members: Tina Pignatelli, Heather Hoyt

An Eagle Scout from Kamas has reached out and is hoping to do a Little Free Library project at the local park and bus area related to the library.

Books lockers are installed, staff is being trained, and Board members and patrons are testing the lockers for ease and trouble shooting.

New Business:

Loralie and Heather have chosen committees to work on. Loralie will serve with Governance and Education; Heather will serve on the Building and Facilities Committee.

It is hopeful to have a ribbon cutting for the new book lockers coincide with a future County Council meeting.

**Next Meeting Date and Location- January 19, 2023 in Kimball Junction 6 p.m.
Possible Zoom hybrid.**

Miscellaneous/ Open Floor:

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn by Jesse Meshkov, 2nd by Emily Stolen. All in favor. Vote Unanimous

Meeting Adjourned at 7:05 p.m.