

Tillamook County Library Virtual Board Meeting, June 17, 2021

Board Members Present: Betsy Chase (N), Tim Josi (Y), Neal Lemery (Y), Madeline Olson (Y), Jon Orloff (Y), Teresa Rivenes (Y), Sayde Walker (Y)

Commissioners Present: Mary Faith Bell (Y)

Library Staff Present: Geri Godber (Y), Sarah Beeler (Y)

Guests Present: Ruth LaFrance

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 12:02pm.

Minutes: Neal Lemery made a motion to approve the May 20, 2021, meeting minutes. Jon Orloff seconded. Minutes approved. The budget for next fiscal year will be released soon.

Director's Report: Please see attached June 2021, Director's Report.

- HR is continuing to fill vacant positions. Laurie Caspell is the new custodian. She used to be the custodian at the Tillamook County Library and has returned to her old job and is doing an excellent job. Kristi Hanson, Branch Manager, starts work on July 6th. Interviews for part-time/full-time Library Assistant 1(s) will be held on June 18th. Emily Davidson, new Library Assistant 3, will be moving back to Idaho. Her last day will be Friday, June 18, 2021.
- There was a small fire outside the South Tillamook County Library in Pacific City. When the fire department arrived, they saw someone leaving. The South Tillamook County Library Club will be replacing the building alarms.
- Hotspots are ready to go and more will be ordered next fiscal year.
- Color copy/printing, scanning and faxing services will be added at each library branch.
- The website migration is moving along quickly.
- It is time for the City of Bay City lease agreement to be renewed.
- Summer reading started June 14th and will run through August 2nd.
- The Bookmobile will participate in parades, farmers markets and the Tillamook County Fair this summer.
- Lincoln County Library District will be conducting a feasibility study for new circulation software. Geri has contacted MaryKay Dahlgreen to express interest in working together and using the same circulation system software at all Lincoln/Tillamook County libraries.
- COVID-19: Current restrictions will remain in place until a phased reopening plan starts.

Strategic Plan: See attached letter from Mr. Short. Levy rates will be discussed at the July board meeting. The Tillamook County Treasurer and commissioners will need to approve the rate. Mary Faith Bell asked Shawn Blanchard, Tillamook County Treasurer, to look over Mr. Short's letter because there is a discrepancy between his numbers and the numbers received in the past that were reviewed by Shawn Blanchard and Ruth Metz. Mr. Short will attend the July 15, 2021, board meeting virtually. Shawn Blanchard will be invited to the next board meeting.

Foundation Update: Bob Favret and Elva Weeks resigned after many years of exceptional service. Chris Chiola has joined the board and has also agreed to become the new Treasurer. Tillamook County Library has taken over Maxwell Library Park maintenance. Thanks to Tim Josi, there are no weeds in the park between the pavers. North Coast Lawn Care spread bark dust in park planting beds. Pavers for park construction are expected to arrive in July. The Foundation has budgeted \$10,000 for library system needs. Geri will be bringing a proposal to the next meeting to ask the TCL Foundation to fund some of the color copiers/printers, scanners, fax machines for library branches.

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion: The fines policy has been updated (see attached). Neal Lemery made a motion to approve the Fines & Fees Policy. Teresa Rivenes seconded. Policy approved. Mary Faith Bell asked staff to capture patron stories about the helpfulness of the new fine policy.

Commissioner's Update: Mary Faith Bell reported that 70% of the state will be most likely be vaccinated by the end of the month. The vaccination rate in Tillamook County is over 63%. She reported that something happened at a chemical plant in Washington that produces chlorine for water districts/municipalities.

Public Input: none

Adjournment: 1:05pm

Sincerely and respectfully submitted,

Sarah Beeler