

City of La Crosse, Wisconsin

La Crosse Public Library 800 Main Street La Crosse WI 54601

Meeting Minutes

Library Board

Tuesday, January 12, 2021

5:00 PM

La Crosse Main Library - Video Conference

Agenda

1. Call to Order

PRESENT:

Sue Anglehart, Katie Bittner, Cat Ellingson, Shelley Hay, Kathy Ivey, Araysa Simpson, Keonte Tumer, Jodi Ehrenberger (5:14 pm)

ABSENT:

Gary Padesky

The chair, Ms. Anglehart, call the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes from Regular Board Meeting

Motion to approve the minutes of December 8, 2020. (Kathy Ivey / Cat Ellingson) Carried

3. Approval of Committee of the Whole Minutes

No meeting.

4. Approval of Bills & Financial Reports

Motion to approve the bills and financial reports for December 2020. (Kathy Ivey / Keonte Turner) Carried

5. Reports

5.1 Director's Report

5.11 Vacancy Report

No new vacancies.

5.12 Service Updates

The monitoring of health guidelines and metrics continue as well as keeping an eye on what other libraries in Wisconsin are doing. Action plans are prepared for expanding services when those metrics improve and it is deemed safe to proceed.

People Counter software and devices have been purchased and are being tested which will assure that the library has not reached or exceeded suggested building occupancy.

Staff furloughs have ended now that it is a new calendar and budget year. Several staff are taking part in new professional development roles: Al Mask is attending a Racial Justice Workshop, Dawn Wacek will be serving on a city Racial Equity Committee, and Russ McClintock is representing us on the Clean Energy Action Committee. Several other professional library staff are also serving on professional committees and boards.

Because the library cannot allow volunteers in the building at this time, the Friends of the Library volunteers have not been able to deal with the materials that have been weeded from the collections. The programming team is leading an effort to host a "Grab and Go" book sale fund raiser for Friends by offering pre-bagged books. This will take place out of Main Hall on January 23 from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

5.13 Facility Updates

Since installation of the new bipolar ionization units onto the HVAC system, the testing equipment shows that the air quality in the library far exceeds expectations.

5.14 Annual Code of Ethics Review

There are no changes in the Annual Code of Ethics Review. Board members in attendance agreed to it. Ms. Anglehart will ensure that Mr. Padesky is in agreement, then she will sign the document on behalf of the board.

6. Old Business

None.

7. Public Comment / Other

None.

8. Topics for Future Meetings

- 8.1 2022-2056 Capital Improvement Budget
- 8.2 2021 Library Board Calendar of Work

9. Adjournment

Time: 5:31 p.m.

Motion to adjourn. (Araysa Simpson / Jodi Ehrenberger) Carried