

MEETING OF THE LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD CITY OF LA VISTA

MINUTES OF MEETING November 14, 2013

Members Present: Rose Barcal Jill Frederick Huyen-Yen Hoang
 Valerie Russell Kim Schmit-Pokorny Carol Westlund

Agenda Item #1: Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 5:31 p.m.

Agenda Item #2: Announcement of Location of Posted Open Meetings Act

An announcement was made of the location of the posted copy of the Open Meetings Act for public reference.

Agenda Item #3: Introductions

There were no introductions made.

Agenda Item #4: Approval of Minutes of September 12, 2013 Meeting

It was moved by Frederick and seconded by Schmit-Pokorny that the minutes be accepted as presented. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Agenda Item #5: Library Director's Report

- a. Programs: an overview of various programs was given including a possible GED preparation class that would take place in 2014.
- b. Employee updates were given.
- c. Library Meetings were reviewed including Project Search which includes an intern position in February, the Directors' meeting and the meeting of Sarpy County librarians.
- d. General Library Information included the extension of database information for Ebsco which includes ConsumerReports.org.

Agenda Item #6: Circulation Report

Library Director Barcal distributed the final circulation report. The report was discussed and accepted.

Agenda Item #7: Old Business

- a. Current and future grants were reviewed.
 - i) Youth Grant for Excellence 2013 submitted for a 3D printer was sent. It was announced recently that this has been fully awarded. The grant includes teens holding instructional classes for adults and children.
 - ii) Scholarship to attend the Conference for Association for Rural and Small Libraries. Staff member, Rose Barcal, sent in an application to attend this national conference which was held in Omaha in September 2013. The award was granted.
 - iii) Created Equal: America's Civil Rights Struggle from Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History. This grant was submitted to provide informational programming concerning Civil Rights. A support letter was provided by Dean of Sarpy Center with

Metropolitan Community College, Robin Hixson. This grant was awarded. Programming will be October of 2015.

- iv) Civil War 150: There will be a 3 week exhibit at the Library beginning October 13th through November 3rd. An open house will be held. The grant included \$1,000 for programming. A committee has being formed to assist with the planning.
- v) American Recovery and Reinvestment Act for the Nebraska Library Commission Broadband Technology Opportunities Program has been finalized. A concluding survey was completed.
- b. Boards and Commissions Manual. City Administration and staff are reviewing and finalizing the manual.
- c. Policy Review: Volunteers. The policy was distributed to staff for feedback. No changes were received. The Board did not have any edits so the policy will remain as issued in 2006.

Agenda Item #8: New Business

- a. State Aid Report FY13. Statistics are being gathered for the annual report. Submission is due by February 2014.
- b. Gate Count. The end of year count was 105,535 which was an increase from the last fiscal year by 1,004 attendees to the library.
- c. Meeting Dates:
 - i. January 9
 - ii. March 13
 - iii. May 8
 - iv. July 10
 - v. September 11
 - vi. November 13

It was moved by Schmit-Pokorny and seconded by Frederick that the 2014 meeting dates accepted as presented. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

- d. President and Secretary. Thank you to Frederick for holding the president position and to Schmit-Pokorny for holding the secretary position for 2013. Their time is much appreciated. Elections for the office of president and secretary were held: Schmit-Pokorny made a motion and Frederick seconded to close nominations and a unanimous ballot cast for Hoang as President. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried. Schmit-Pokorny then made a motion and Frederick seconded to close nominations and a unanimous ballot cast for Westlund as Secretary. Ayes: all. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Agenda Item #9: Comments from the Floor

There were no comments from the floor.

Agenda Item #10: Comments from the Board

Schmit-Pokorny inquired about the banned book, Eleanor & Park, by Rainbow Rowell, a formed Nebraskan. A discussion was held concerning censorship and banning books. Frederick suggested a banned book program at the library. This will be taken to staff.

There was a motion by Westlund and seconded by Frederick to adjourn the meeting at 6:02 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 9, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. at the La Vista Public Library, Conference Room #142.