

## **Library Board Meeting Minutes December 20, 2018**

**Present:** Richard Ball, City Council Liaison; Sandy Darby; Cyndi Gueswel; Treva Heiser; Susan Kadlec; Kathy Keeler, Friends of the Library; Diane Lapierre, Library Director; Liz Lucke; Kandi Smith; Therese Torpy, Recording Secretary; M.J. Willard; Sarah Wolfe.

**Visitors:** Amber Holmes, Teen Services Manager; Amy Phillips, Adult Services Manager

**1.0 Call to Order** – Called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Sandy Darby.

**2.0 Approval of November 2018 Minutes** – Treva Heiser motioned to approve the minutes as written. Cyndi Gueswel seconded the motion. All voted in favor of approval.

### **3.0 Library Director's Report**

**3.1 YOUMedia Presentation – Amber Holmes, Teen Services Manager:** Following a yearlong application process, Loveland Public Library is now the 33rd member of YOUMedia which is a connected networked learning model. The model addresses gaps in STEM, focuses on equity, inclusion, a playful approach to technology, collaboration, safe spaces, mentorship, peer support and includes classes and events, several levels of self-guided programming and much more. Denver area Anythink Libraries have an all ages model of YOUMedia.

**3.2 Monthly Report, November** – We had several well attended programs in November including Dia de los Muertos, Local Author Showcase and World War I.

**3.3 Library Districts – City Council Direction:** City Council requested information on library districts while we look at funding for a second library location. Diane Lapierre presented the requested information on districts and now Council would like to know if the Library Board recommends the creation of a library district or the pursuit of a library branch within the Community Improvement Program. After much discussion, each Board member gave a statement on their preference as follows:

- Treva Heiser: Pursue a branch location with the City as the public understands we have an established foundation with the City of Loveland
- Cyndi Gueswel: Stay municipal as it supports and serves the community best right now. Eventually we will need to explore the district model, but not now.
- M.J. Willard: Stay as we are now as we have the support of the City.
- Kandi Smith: There are benefits to going with the district model eventually but the need for a branch is urgent and we enjoy the benefits of a good supportive relationship with the City.
- Susan Kadlec: Stay municipal now but can foresee the economical need to further explore the pursuit of a district model.
- Sandy Darby: We need to see the tax increase pass, build a branch, then look at exploring a district model.
- Liz Lucke: Stay as we are now as we have support from the City.
- Sarah Wolfe: Stay as we are now with the City as a branch is needed.

Diane Lapierre will share the Library Board's recommendation to remain a part of the City of Loveland Community Improvement Program in pursuit of a branch library while we continue to monitor the political and economical climate.

### **4.0 Old Business**

**4.1 Community Improvement Program (CIP) – Diane Lapierre:** Mark Jackson, Director of Public Works and Diane are working as co-chairs leading the CIP efforts. The City Staff Group has reconvened and are ready to go.

They've reached out to the co-chairs of the Citizen Task Force and are invited to the City Council Study Session scheduled for January 8. Diane has met with the consultants, reviewed changes, discussed the school district's recent success with voters, the cost escalations, pros and cons of odd and even year voting, etc. They will soon decide when to poll and a voter analysis will be presented to City Council.

**4.2 January Board Orientation** –Three interviews for new board members are complete with the final interview scheduled for December 28. Our Board Orientation session at the Rialto Theatre Devereaux Room will be Jan. 31<sup>st</sup> with new members beginning at 3:00 p.m. and returning members joining at 3:30 p.m. We have plans for team building sessions, along with discussions on advocacy and core library values.

## 5.0 New Business

**5.1 Performance Measures and Dashboard for 2019 – Amy Phillips, Adult Services Manager:** Amy presented the new performance measures and dashboard stats which are now in an interactive format. The Library has worked with the City to decide what we report on based on how we serve the community. The graphs are easily updated and can be customized. Amy can send a link to the information to any Board member that wants to access the data.

**5.2 Review 2019 Proposed Library Closure Dates** – Diane Lapierre presented a draft of proposed holiday closure dates. After review, Kandi Smith motioned to approve the schedule as written. Liz Lucke seconded the motion. All voted in favor of approval.

## 6.0 Reports

**6.1 Statistical Report** – See 5.1 above.

**6.2 Friends of the Library** – The early December Loveland Lights event was well attended. City of Loveland Parks and Rec Department has notified the FOLPL that they may remain as tenants in the current sorting facility through 2019. The most convenient time for a move would be just following the April 2020 book sale. The annual meeting will be held January 18. Kathy Keeler's term as liaison to the Library Board ends with today's meeting. A new liaison will be named in January.

**6.3 Art Selection Committee** – The 4<sup>th</sup> quarter show ends soon. New art will be installed on January 2.

**6.4 Loveland Loves to Read** – The search is on for a new book for the One Book One Community event this fall. It has been narrowed down to two potential books. The non-fiction book *A Ditch in Time* by Patricia Limerick, a history of the Denver Water Board is under consideration along with *The Water Knife*, a science fiction novel by Paolo Bacigalupi.

**6.5 Policy Review Committee** – The committee has completed their mission. No further reports. This item will be removed from the regular agenda.

**6.6 Investment Committee** – No activity.

Other Business:

- Liz Lucke's term on the Library Board concludes with today's meeting. Her service was recognized with a certificate signed by Mayor Marsh.
- The new programming guide was distributed to all attendees.

**7.0 Adjournment** – Treva Heiser motioned to adjourn at 6:53 p.m. Susan Kadlec seconded the motion. All voted in favor of adjournment.

Respectfully submitted,  
Therese Torpy  
/s/ Sandy Darby, Chair