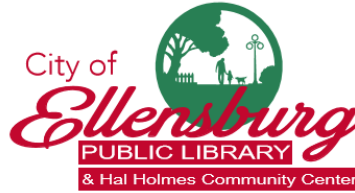


CITY OF ELLENSBURG

Date of Meeting:

Time of Meeting:

Place of Meeting:



LIBRARY BOARD

September 12, 2023

4:30 p.m.

City Council Chamber

Marty Blackson, Chair, term expires December 31, 2027

Loretta Gray, Secretary, term expires December 31, 2027

Mary Holmgren, term expires December 31, 2026

Andreina Delgado, term expires December 31, 2023

Melina Meador, term expires December 31, 2024

Andrea Sledge, term expires December 31, 2026

Mary James, term expires December 31, 2027

I. CALL TO ORDER

Gray called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

II. ATTENDANCE

PRESENT: Andreina Delgado, Loretta Gray, Mary Holmgren, Mary James, Melina Meador, Andrea Sledge

COUNCIL LIASON: Sarah Beauchamp

ABSENT: Marty Blackson

VISITORS: None

STAFF: Josephine Camarillo

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion made by Holmgren to approve the agenda, motion seconded, **motion approved**. Motion passed 6-0.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by James to approve the July 2023 minutes, motion seconded, **motion approved**. Motion passed 6-0.

V. CORRESPONDENCE AND CITIZEN COMMENTS/SUGGESTIONS

Patrons at the fair commented that they loved the library.

VI. REPORTS

A. Director's Report for August and September: (1) Sarita Dasgupta is the new Library Assistant/Circulation, and J'aime Wells is the new Library Assistant/Substitute. (2) Adult Services has been busy with events (including the Adult Summer Reading Program), hiring, training, outreach, and computers. (3) Technical Services continues to both add and delete items from the collection. Regina has been correcting records on Enterprise. (4) Youth Services had a successful

Summer Reading Program, Lego Day, and Art Day. (5) Hal Holmes held 59 events in July and 57 events in August (a mix of private, non-profit, and sponsored). (8) Overall, circulation is up since June and up since 2022 YTD. The total number of cardholders is 16,543. (9) Staff from the Library attended Bulldog Day at Morgan Middle School.

B. Budget Report: The budget as of August 31, 2023, is on track.

C. Friends of the Library Report: There is a book sale on Saturday, September 16.

II. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. None

III. NEW BUSINESS

A. The Library discussed whether the Board could hold a Library Anniversary Event. In 2024, it could be held on January 20, the date the first library opened in 1910.

IX. UPCOMING PROGRAMS/EVENTS

For September, the following have been scheduled: (1) Library Book Club meeting, (2) Spanish/English Convo Club, (3) Children's storytime, (4) Friends of the Library meeting and book sale, and (5) Merit: Let's Talk Addiction.

X. UNSCHEDULED BUSINESS

A. The Library discussed a proposed ballot initiative in Dayton, Washington, that would end the library district for Columbia County.

XI. NEXT MEETING

October 10, 2023

II. ADJOURNMENT

With no further discussion, meeting adjourned by Gray at 5:11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Loretta Gray, Secretary