

LIBRARY BOARD MEETING
4:30pm, Tuesday, May 13, 2025
Council Conference Room/ZOOM

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AGENDA

- I. Call to order, welcome guest(s)**
- II. Approval of the Agenda**
- III. Approval of April 8, 2025, minutes**
- IV. Citizen Comment/Suggestions**
- V. Reports**
 - A. Director Report
 - B. Budget Report
 - C. Friends of the Library Report
 - D. Library Birthday Event
- VI. Unfinished Business**
 - A. IMLS and State Library update
- VII. New Business**
 - A. Washington Library Association Conference update- staff Ilmi Moen-Hamm
- VIII. Unscheduled Business**
- IX. Upcoming Programs/Events**

May 14	Run Eburg Historical Tour, 7pm, HH
May 17	Children's Day Downtown, 10am-1pm, Unity Park
May 17	FOL Book Sale, 10:30am-1:30pm, HH
May 19	FOL monthly meeting, 3:30pm, HH
May 27	A History of Natural Science: Talk and Sketch, 6:30pm, HH

Next regular meeting June 10, 2025

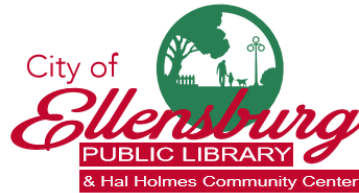
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CITY OF ELLENSBURG

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LIBRARY BOARD

April 8, 2025

4:30 p.m.

Council Conference Room

Richard Moreno, Chair term expires December 31, 2026

Vikki Carpenter, Co-Chair, term expires December 31, 2028

Mary James, term expires December 31, 2027

Marty Blackson, term expires December 31, 2027

Josh Aubol, term expires December 31, 2027

Andreina Delgado, term expires December 31, 2028

Emily Brown-Pratz, term expires December 31, 2030

I. CALL TO ORDER

Moreno called the meeting to order at 4:33 p.m.

II. ATTENDANCE

PRESENT: Josh Aubol, Marty Blackson, Emily Brown-Pratz, Vikki Carpenter, Andreina Delgado, Mary James, Rich Moreno

ABSENT: None

GUEST(S): Maggie Sandell

OTHERS PRESENT: Josephine Camarillo (Staff)

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion made by Blackson to approve the agenda; motion seconded by Aubol.

Motion approved. Motion passed 7-0.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by James to approve the March 2025 minutes; motion seconded by Carpenter.

Motion approved. Motion passed 7-0.

V. CORRESPONDENCE AND CITIZEN COMMENTS/SUGGESTIONS

None

VI. REPORTS

- A. Director Report: National Library Week is April 6-12th. Board would like to be involved next year to help promote and celebrate the library and staff. Hal Holmes Facilities Assistant open position has been filled. New staff member will start on April 16, 2025. Library/HH Block grant was approved by Council and the granting agency. 37 patrons completed our Winter BINGO reading challenge. Library currently has two CWU interns, Maggie Sandell and Brittany Bathurst, for their Spring Quarter. Circulation statistics are up from last month but slightly down overall for the year.
- B. Budget Report: March budget final numbers not yet ready but February budget continues to be on track.
- C. Friends of the Library Report: Next Book Barn sale will be April 19.
- D. Library Birthday Event: No report

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Library Policy- Fines and Fees: Board reviewed final draft. Motion made by Carpenter to approve Fines and Fees Policy; motion seconded by Aubol.

Motion approved. Motion passed 7-0.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

Director gave update on IMLS status of funding and its impact on libraries. IMLS budget cuts would affect library cost allocations towards Anytime Library and some databases as well as any future grant opportunities. Our library is primarily funded through the City general fund.

IX. UNSCHEDULED BUSINESS

None

X. UPCOMING PROGRAMS/EVENTS

Upcoming events presented.

XI. NEXT MEETING

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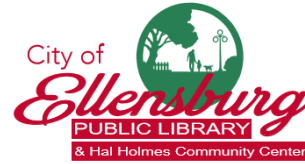
XII. ADJOURNMENT

With no further discussion, the meeting was adjourned by Moreno at 5:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Josephine Camarillo, staff

LIBRARY DIRECTOR REPORT

TO: Library Board, City Manager
 FROM: Josephine Camarillo, Library Director
 DATE: April 2025



Meetings: Staff, Supervisors, City Attorney, Morning Rotary, Dept. Directors

Director: I presented at council candidate information night highlighting our library services. Library was awarded up to \$1,620,000 in federal Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for the HVAC Replacement project. I hosted a mindfulness workshop for staff, facilitated by CeCe Murray. KCRLB met on April 22nd. New Energy Services Director Buddy Stanovich and new City Attorney Chris Horner toured the Library/HH.

Adult Services: One Book One County author presentation was well received with 31 in attendance. There were 57 participants in the Easter “Egg” Hunt. Renee Merten was the raffle winner. Pyper and Maggie (CWU intern) worked on updating rack cards and tracking Facebook Highlight posts. Pyper attended CPR and first aid training. RJ will attend May 8th. Pyper attended the WLA annual conference in Tacoma. There were 2568 eAudio books checkouts; 2181 eBooks checkouts; 530 Computer Lab Users; 701 wireless printing; 13 Hotspot checkouts.



Technical Services: 470 physical items added to the collection, 838 physical items deleted from the collection during the last month.

Youth Services: We are busy here in the department with many programs and program prepping. Cece and Alyssa have been doing wonderfully with the BookWorms and Teen Gaming programs with happy young patrons and their parents responding. After several years off, it was so good to have the Family Poetry Night celebration again. Readers were both children and their family members and with Nancy Lillquist as Ms. Manners. A special thanks to Ms. Josephine who coached us all to give our best readings! Intern, Brittany has been a joy to work with once a week as she puts together programming for summer.



Hal Holmes: 2 Private/Govt event, 5 Non-Profit events, 64 sponsored: **71 total events**
 In April we hired a new Facility Asst. – Mitch Cook. Spring cleanup has begun. Hosted Family Poetry Night, the final Comtra Dance of the 2024-25 season and multiple Adult Services programs.

Circulation:

Circulation Statistics	April-25	Mar-25	% chg	Apr-24	% chg	2025 YTD	2024 YTD	% chg
Physical Items	9628	10876	-12%	10047	-5%	40839	42089	-3%
Electronic Items	4749	5078	-7%	4829	-2%	19913	19965	0%
TOTAL	14377	15,954	-11%	14876	-3%	60752	62054	-2%

Library Visits: 9311

New Card Holders: 995

Total Card Holders: 14,792



A LEISURELY ONE-MILE JOGGING TOUR FEATURING 3 STOPS
AT INTERESTING HISTORICAL LOCATIONS IN ELLENSBURG

MEET AT **HAL HOLMES**
WEDNESDAY **MAY 14**
7:00PM

WATER & MATERIALS PROVIDED
SIGN UP @ THE ELLENSBURG PUBLIC LIBRARY



CHILDREN'S DAY DOWNTOWN

SATURDAY, MAY 17th
10:00am-1:00pm
@ Unity Park

COME ENJOY A FUN-FILLED
DAY FOR FAMILIES!

-  Kid's Market (youth vendors)
-  Information about local summer programs for kids
-  Live music featuring young performers
-  Free activities and treats!



Questions? Please call (509) 962-7218

ELLENSBURG PUBLIC LIBRARY
A HISTORY OF NATURAL SCIENCE: TALK & SKETCH



6:30 PM
May 27, 2025
at HAL HOLMES

w/ HISTORIAN OF SCIENCE
TAMARA CAULKINS &
CWU GREENHOUSE & VIVARIUM MANAGER
LINNEA STAVNEY

Exploring the New World
Merian & Humboldt

