

209 North Ruby Street, Ellensburg WA 98926

LIBRARY BOARD MEETING 4:30pm, Tuesday, May 9, 2023 City Council Chamber/ZOOM	Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86487494175?pwd=OW5DLzNUd3BHV3BnMUVMczNCbzJ2UT09 Meeting ID: 864 8749 4175 Passcode: 323723 One tap mobile +12532158782,,86487494175#,,,,*323723# US (Tacoma) +12532050468,,86487494175#,,,,*323723# US
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AGENDA

- I. Call to order, welcome guests**
- II. Approval of the Agenda**
- III. Approval of April 2023 minutes**
- IV. Citizen Comment/Suggestions**
- V. Reports**
 - A. Director Report
 - B. Budget Report
 - C. Friends of the Library Report
- VI. Unfinished Business**
 - A. None
- VII. New Business**
 - A. Kittitas County Regional Library Board Update
 - B. Board Strategic Planning
- VIII. Upcoming Programs/Events**
 - May 6 One Book One County event, 10am
 - May 8 Library Book Club, HH 3pm
 - May 16 FOL Meeting, HH 3:30pm
 - May 29 Memorial Day, Library/HH closed
- IX. Unscheduled Business**

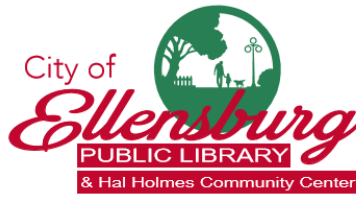
Next regular meeting will be June 13, 2023
Location: City Council Conference Room or ZOOM

CITY OF ELLENSBURG

Date of Meeting:

Time of Meeting:

Place of Meeting:



LIBRARY BOARD

April 11, 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

Blackson called the meeting to order at 4:33 pm.

II. ATTENDANCE

PRESENT: Marty Blackson, Andreina Delgado, Mary Holmgren, Mary James, Melina Meador, Andrea Sledge

COUNCIL LIASON: Sarah Beauchamp

EXCUSED ABSENCE: Loretta Gray

VISITOR: None

STAFF: Josephine Camarillo

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Board member James made the motion to approve the agenda, which was seconded. Motion passed 6-0, **motion approved.**

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Board member Meador made the motion to approve the agenda, which was seconded. Motion passed 6-0, **motion approved.**

V. CORRESPONDENCE AND CITIZEN COMMENTS/SUGGESTIONS

None

VI. REPORTS

A. Director's Report: (1) Office Specialist Jennifer Innes last day was April 10. The position will open soon. (2) Carolyn Peterson from WSL came for a site visit. She is recommending the Library Board conduct a strategic plan. (3) Josephine took part in two interview processes for City Arts/Economic Development Director and IT Director. (4) Materials circulation has increased. (5) Hal Homes continues to be very busy. (6) Library/HH hosting several programs in April.

B. Budget Report: Everything is on track.

C. Friends of the Library Report: Book Club Tea will be held on Monday, April 17 at 7pm in the Hal Holmes. Guest speaker will be Ellensburg Poet Laureate Marie Marchand.

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. None.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

A. 2022 Library statistics were reviewed and discussed. There has been a 5% increase in library card holders; eAudio/eBooks circulation increased 20%; physical items circulation decreased 20%; website visit increased 52%

IX. UPCOMING PROGRAMS/EVENTS

April 10	Library Book Club, HH 3pm
April 15	Mama Rising, 12pm
April 17	FOL Book Club Tea, 7pm
April 19	Jigsaw Puzzle Tournament, 5:30pm
April 22	Human Library, 10:30am
April 26	Poetry Reading with Jhampa and Marie Marchand, 6pm
May 6	One Book One County event, 10am

X. UNSCHEDULED BUSINESS

A. None

XI. NEXT MEETING

May 9, 2023

XII. ADJOURNMENT

With no further discussion, meeting adjourned by Blackson at 5:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Josephine Camarillo, Staff

LIBRARY DIRECTOR REPORT

TO: Library Board, City Manager, City Attorney
FROM: Josephine Camarillo, Library Director
DATE: May 2023



Meetings: Staff, Supervisors, City Attorney, KCRLB Morning Rotary, Arts Commission

Director:

April was busy with many programs the library hosted and co-hosted that included FOL Book Club Tea, Jigsaw Puzzle Tournament, Human Library, City Poem and Poetry Reading. Office Specialist position opened 5/1 and closes 5/8. Met with Finance Dept regarding position upgrade from Library Assistant to Library Specialist.

Adult Services:

Pyper and RJ are looking forward to a new team member! In the meantime, Christina and Brendan have stepped in to help with the open shifts. Pyper and RJ worked as Librarians for the Human Library. There were 25 readers and 9 books with the titles: Cult Survivor, Pansexual, Intersex, Latino, Gay Father, Tibetan Buddhist, Retired Police Officer, and Schizoaffective Bipolar. There were profound conversations between books and readers. Specific reasons to attend given by two readers: "I want to step outside of my orbit" and "I very rarely have an opportunity to interact with others not like myself and I would like to." There was a modest turn out, but the expectation is that the program steadily builds. There are humans now walking around our community with an incredible new bond that can only arise out of meeting each other openly through conversation.



Technical Services: 392 physical items added to the collection, 569 physical items deleted from the collection during the last month.

Youth Services:

April held spring programs like Poetry displays, Nesting Birds activity table and Mama Rising community collaborative event for supporting new mothers. It was also a time of training new SUBs and a new YS assistant, Sophia. EHS student, Shyloh did a job shadowing with YS department. We are preparing for the Summer Reading Program! Performers are booked!

Hal Holmes: 60 events total: 2 Private event; 4 Non-Profit events; 54 sponsored
Two benches were removed and disposed of due to unrepairable damage to the wood slats.

Circulation:

Circulation Statistics	April-23	Mar-23	% chg	Apr-22	% chg	2023 YTD	2022 YTD	% chg
Physical Items	9006	11289	-21%	10239	-13%	41608	39269	5%
Electronic Items	4263	4529	-6%	3780	11%	17202	15148	12%
TOTAL	13269	15,818	-19%	14019	-6%	58810	54417	7%

Library Visits: No data

New Cardholders: 102

Total Cardholders: 17,023