

Minutes: April 27, 2023

Attendance: Board members: Lu Snyder, Theresa Bucci, Sarah Wilkinson, Lauren Chase & Amy Perchick, with Stephanie Ralph, Sarah Hulseley and Katie Koop.

Consent Agenda:

March minutes: Lauren approve, Theresa seconded.

April Agenda (adjusted for Katie to speak before interviews): Sarah W approved, Lu seconded

NEW BUSINESS

Katie Koop, North Branch Manager – Raise the Roof Fundraiser Challenge

- Beanstack fundraiser (small admin fee)
- Summit is one of the first public libraries to use their fundraisers
- Two part program: reading challenge (for all ages) with fundraiser
- Participants read as much as they can within 2 weeks time frame. Prizes for reading. Separate page on their account to share for fundraising. Cash or check donations.
- The Foundation is the recipient of this fundraiser, funds to be used for furnishings for the Owls Nest –new children’s program
- Raised \$4963 of \$10K to date
- Advocacy:
https://summitcountylibraries.beanstack.org/fundraisers/261/community_donations
- Children’s wing will include a turtle terrarium
- Board can play a role through advocacy for the library to continue to create those community connections, spread the word and potentially get more sponsors

OLD BUSINESS

Friends Report (Lauren):

- No meeting because of book sale
- \$1980 raised through book sale

Foundations Report (Theresa):

- No meeting

Capital Campaign Report (Steph)

- Foundation looking at how to wrap up the project, acknowledge sponsors, etc.
- Possible final fundraiser at the Pad in Silverthorne
- Steph requested \$50K grant from the Summit Foundation for the North Branch (the library received a Summit Foundation grant for \$50K for Main branch renovation)
- Capital campaign donations to date: \$669,595

Director’s Report

- Steph met with the school administrators about the One Card project
- School would like supplies delivered from the library to the schools, which would be very complicated, especially considering how widespread the district is.
- Steph contacted other districts that have implemented the One Card program and they have students come into the library for their books
- Planning a potential pilot project with the school staff so they can understand the program and then teach the kids. Second step would be to offer to student body in the next school year.
- There are lots of challenges to implement the program, but the school staff is so positive and enthusiastic & determined to get the program up & running.

NEW BUSINESS (continued):

Open Board Position Interviews:

- Kathy Sonnanstine 5:30
- Kim Adams 5:45

Next steps to fill open board position

- Do we select from the two candidates interviewed or leave the position open and try to get more diverse representation?
- Sarah W suggested to include a due date on the next open position to ensure that candidates submit their resumes in time before interviews are scheduled
- Board voted to choose from the two candidates interviewed
- The goal is to have the intent and goal to get wider representation.
- Tentative vote to offer the position to Kim Adams and ask Kathy if she would be interested in a position with the Friends or Foundation. Will wait for Melissa to review recorded interviews and offer her vote before moving forward.
- Amy approved and Sarah W seconded.

OTHER MATTERS:

- Board emails: Board members should be sure to reply only to the sender or one person. If reply "to all" it is considered an open meeting.
- Amy shared some articles about banned books challenges facing NYC & CO libraries.
<https://www.nypl.org/spotlight/banned-books>
<https://www.nypl.org/blog/2022/04/13/books-for-all-nypl-supports-right-read-banned-books>
<https://coloradotimesrecorder.com/2023/04/support-your-local-librarians-by-rejecting-book-bans/53045>
- Next board meeting scheduled for 5 pm, May 25.

Meeting adjourned at 6:4pm . Amy motioned to adjourn, Lu seconded.