LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

October 7, 2021 Virtual Meeting hosted through WebEx Meeting Link: <u>https://auroragov.webex.com/auroragov/j.php?M</u> <u>TID=m4196246ac380ea232d61bfc29cab54ac</u>

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I. CALL TO ORDER

Brenda Perea called the meeting to order at 5:04 PM. Those in attendance were: Brenda Perea, Shameka Alford Absent: Matt Isom, Nora MacIntyre, Shannon Day Guest: Paula Vargas Staff members present: Midori Clark, Kate Compton, Alia Gonzales (recording secretary)

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Brenda moved to approve the minutes from September 2, 2021. Shameka seconded this motion. The motion passed unanimously.

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Staff shared that due to moving outside the City of Aurora, Matt Isom will no longer be serving on the Library Board of Trustees.

IV. PUBLIC INVITED TO BE HEARD

No members of the public present at this time.

V. OLD BUSINESS

- 1. Brenda shared that there was no meeting for Ward VI this month. Shameka stated there are no Ward II meetings until a new Council Member is appointed.
- 2. The nominations for Paula Vargas and Shannon Day will be presented before Council for a final vote on Monday.
- 3. The Board Member Communications Plan Review will be moved to a future month for further discussion.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

None at this time.

VII. ITEMS FROM THE CHAIR

- 1. Shannon will draft the message to council for the month of October. Nora will draft the message to council for the month of November. Brenda will draft the message to council in December.
- 2. Brenda shared that she would like to open the floor for members to consider moving the meeting start time to 5:15 or 5:30 for future meetings. This will be discussed further after the pending nominations are finalized.

VIII. ITEMS FROM THE DIRECTOR

- 1. Kate Compton, Youth Services Supervisor, shared information regarding Youth Services and programming efforts. Kate has been with the Aurora Public Library since May 2021 and has been focused on increasing library visits and raising circulation statistics.
 - a. Grab and Go crafts have continued to be a success with 363 crafts handed out in the month of September. Over 200 individuals have participated in passive programming including scavenger hunts in the Youth Services area.
 - b. Storytime has moved to being 5 days per week and over 400 attendees participated in September.
 - c. The Teen Advisory Group (TAG) is active and has 8 regular participants

- d. After school snacks have been very popular with approximately 175 snacks being distributed per week.
- e. Outreach has continued with local schools and nearly 500 connections were made in September.
- 2. Midori shared that all COVID operations have continued to go smoothly though the hours expansion is currently on hold and will be revisited in January. The City has reinstituted mandatory mask requirements for all employees, however many staff had already resumed wearing masks when working with the public. The hiring process to bring on new supervisors for both the MLK Jr. Library and the Tallyn's Reach Library are underway.
- 3. The Poet Laureate Program is working to be brought online as the community continues to recover from COVID-19 impacts. The search for a new Poet Laureate will resume in late 2021 or early 2022.
- 4. The Bookmobile is on back-order due to COVID-19 impacts.
- Chambers Library is continuing to move forward with construction projects receiving bids over the next 2

 3 weeks with a final bid date of November 1. Construction will take approximately 2 3 weeks and an anticipated soft opening will take place in December or January.

IX. ITEMS FROM THE MEMBERS

No items from the members at this time.

X. MISCELLANEOUS MATTERS

- A. Customer Comments
 - The comments were reviewed by the Board.
- B. Statistics
 - The Library statistics were included in the Board packets.
- C. Volunteer Hours The Board members submitted their volunteer hours for September.

XI. NEXT MEETING AND AGENDA ITEMS

The next meeting will take place November 4 and will be hosted virtually through WebEx.

XII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:01 PM.

Automa PaulaVargas (Jul 20, 2022 12:07 MDT)

Chair

Karen Erdman Administration Library & Cultural Services

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