

Minutes of the Elko County Library Board

August 17, 2016

**Date, Time,
and Place**

The meeting was called to order on Wednesday, August 17, 2016 at 4:16 p.m. in the meeting room of the Elko County Library with Lane Diedrichsen presiding.

Attendance

Russ Orr, Laura Oki, Wendy McClure-Porter, Lynne Volpi, and Lane Diedrichsen were present. Interim Library Director Kassie Antonucci was present. Audience: Amanda Osborne, Hadley Noren, and Jeanette Hammons were present. Commissioner Eklund was absent.

**Public
Comment**

There was no public comment.

Minutes

Oki motioned to approve the July 18, 2016 minutes with a second by Orr. Unanimous, Diedrichsen voted aye. Motion carried.

Claims

Volpi motioned to approve the claims from 8/2/16, 8/16/16, and 8/17/16 with a second by McClure-Porter. Unanimous, Diedrichsen voted aye. Motion carried.

**Operating
Report**

Stats for July:

Youth

Library Programs:

--1 Toddler Time: 8
--12 Story Times: 664
--1 Teen Book Club: 3
--1 Tween Book & Movie: 10
--1 Maker Monday: 8

Summer Reading Program

--1 LEGO Mania Family Day: 36
--3 Youth: Yoga for Youth Camp: 77
--2 Teen: Hip-Hop Dance Camp: 29
--1 Family Picnic: 244
--3 Crafts: 88
--1 Color Contest: 61

Total for July: 27 programs/1,228 participants

Volunteer Hours: 39.75

AWE Early Literacy Usage (3 computers):

--440 sessions

AWE AfterSchool Edge Usage (2 tablets):

--126 sessions

Adult

Visitors-20,470

Circulation-20,186

Meeting Room-12/225

Internet Sessions-1,464

Branch Statistics for June

Branch	Total Attendance	Total Circulation	Internet Use
Austin	91	82	10
Battle Mountain	462	404	96
Carlin	228	247	45
Crescent Valley	76	124	20
Eureka	339	271	88
Jackpot	341	156	211
Wells	522	848	131
West Wendover	553	761	231
Bookmobile	193	993	n/a
Books Express	n/a	146	n/a
Extension	n/a	3	n/a
Tuscarora	32	36	n/a
	2837	4071	832

Guests

- ✓ Introduction of West Wendover's Friends of the Library was set on the agenda; however, no member from the West Wendover's Friends of the Library was present.

Facilities

- ✓ The lights are being replaced throughout the Elko County Library with LEDs.
- ✓ A television production company from the UK used the West Wendover Branch Library to film a segment of an educational documentary. We will be informed when the segment airs in the US.
- ✓ Discussion and consideration of a request to close the Elko County Library early on Thursday, September 1, 2016, for the dedication of the Holocaust Collection by Hadley Noren in order to serve wine at the event.

Vopli motioned that the Elko County Library will close at 5:00 p.m. on September 1, 2016 for the dedication of the Holocaust Collection, if wine is served at the event, with a second by McClure-Porter. Unanimous, Diedrichsen voted aye. Motion carried.

Staff

- ✓ The Youth Services Library Aide Position is open and we have been receiving applications.
- ✓ POOL/PACT
 - Of the 4 candidates chosen to be interviewed, 3 have withdrawn.
 - POOL/PACT has given the following options to be considered by the Board:
 - Interview Eric Walsh
 - Invite three candidates who did not make initial cut to interview
 - Reopen recruitment & re-advertise
 - Review qualifications to see if they are too stringent
 - ~~Review salary to determine if it is competitive~~
 - ~~Possible job restructuring or reorganization along with a request to the State to appoint someone without a Masters~~
 - ~~Convince Jeanette not to retire ☺~~

Amanda Osborne informed the board that a previously withdrawn candidate, Courtney Oberhansli, wished to be reconsidered. However, as she was not an option on this agenda, no action could be taken at that time.

The Library Board elected to table the following action items and hold a special meeting on August 31, 2016 at 4:30 pm to address them, with the inclusion of Courtney Oberhansli, and asked Antonucci and Hammons to research additional avenues of advertising:

- **Discussion and possible action on the options given by POOL/PACT for the recruitment of the Library Director's position, including: interviewing the remaining candidate Eric Walsh; considering three applicants who did not make the initial cut to be interviewed; and/or reopening recruitment and re-advertising the position.**
- **Discussion and possible approval of the level of advertising needed or desired if the job position is reopened and the location of advertising for the Library Director's position.**
- **Discussion, review, and possible approval of the ideal Library Director Candidate Qualifications that will include education, experience, and other identified criteria.**
- **Discussion and possible approval of a recruitment timeline.**

Programming

- ✓ Nothing new to report.

Services

- ✓ **Summer Reading Participation STATs for Elko County Library:**
 - **Toddlers:** 165 registered; 84 participated; 66 completed; 687 pre-literacy skills
 - **Youth:** 520 registered; 292 participated; 174 completed; Total Minutes Read: 170,997 min.
 - **Teens:** 76 registered; 37 participated; 33 completed;

Total Reading: 82,876 min.; **Total Activity:** 10,470 min.; **Total Minutes:** 93,346 min.

- ✓ The Branches will complete their Summer Reading programs by the end of this month.

Volpi asked for a comparison to last year's summer reading program. Antonucci let her know that she would have it available for the next regular meeting with the branch's summer reading program stats as well.

Other Matters

- ✓ The Bookmobile participated in the first annual Western Heritage Day Parade. It was well attended and many people were excited to see it.

**Trustee
Business**

Nothing to report.

**Public
Comment
Adjournment**

There was no public comment.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:23 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 20, 2016 immediately after the Law Library Board meeting with the Library Board meeting in a quorum on Wednesday, August 31, 2016 at 4:30 p.m. for a special meeting.
