

Coralville Public Library Board of Trustees
November 2, 2022

A meeting of the Coralville Public Library Board of Trustees was held
Wednesday November 2nd, 2022 at 6:00 pm

Present: The following members of the Library Board were present at the library: X Cretzmeyer, Amanda Elkins, Pat Kenner, Shaner Magalhães, Lisa Mellecker, Bob Turnquist. Also present: Alison Ames Galstad (Library Director), Ellen Alexander (Assistant Library Director), Hai Huynh (City Council Representative).
Absent:. Deborah Hatz.

President Elkins called the meeting to order at 6:00.

The Board considered approval of the agenda. Kenner moved that the agenda be approved, Magalhães seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board considered approval of the minutes of the October 2022 meeting. Kenner moved that the minutes be approved as presented, Turnquist seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board considered approval of the bills for October. Galstad pointed out that the Innovative bill is for annual maintenance on the integrated library system, and for training. Turnquist asked about ProQuest – this is for newspaper databases. Kenner asked about the West High invoice – it is for advertising in the West Side Story. Magalhaes boldly moved that the bills be approved as presented, Kenner seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board considered the Annual Report for FY22. The report with last FY numbers included was in their packet – the numbers are very strange to compare to last year, due to the impact of COVID in FY21. After some discussion, Magalhaes moved that the Annual Report be accepted as it was presented, Kenner seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board considered appointment of members to the FY22 Budget Committee. Elkins appointed Elkins, Hatz, and Mellecker to the committee. Galstad mentioned that is it due to the city earlier than normal, and she will try to have a draft out to the committee before Thanksgiving.

Cretzmeyer gave a report from the Friends. There will be a book sale on Friday and Saturday – Saturday's will stay open until the end of early voting, which will also be taking place here that day (Book sale will be 10-4 rather than 10-3). The Friends may be receiving a donation of artwork from the Hyatt as part of their renovation.

The Foundation will meet in two weeks, and will be personalizing the fundraising letters for the annual mailing.

Galstad gave the Director's Report. Physical items accounted for 71% of circulation, and statistics are getting closer to pre-pandemic numbers. We are not sure why the number of people entering is so much higher. Alexander pointed out the number of new AIM card users using Overdrive, and noted that the schools must be doing a good job of advertising the AIM cards still. Kenner asked if there was a big purge of materials – Galstad explained that it just depends on librarian workloads when this happens, but Mike Jorgensen just did a purge of the Mystery section. Galstad reported that ILA was very well attended, and there was lots of positive feedback about the sessions offered this year. We had an extra staff meeting this month to discuss sessions that staff attended. Alexander explained the local bus tour (Writer's Library, International Writer's Workshop, Dey House tree tour, City of Literature walking tour, Prairie Lights, lunch at ICPL, UI Main

Library Exhibit Space for an exhibit about the International Writer's Workshop, Stanley Museum of Art, and the UI Libraries Annex). We were slightly disappointed in the lower than expected attendance at the Wednesday night reception at the arena.

We hosted an IC Book Festival event here on Monday October 11th, and had around 30 people attend. Local Libraries Lit hosted Ann Patchett last week – Galstad has not heard about attendance of that yet. Local Libraries Lit received a grant from the Community Foundation of Johnson County for \$7550 to help with next year's Local Libraries Lit events.

The Spooky Tubas were here in October and performed by the hearth. Very well attended!

The next meeting will be on December 7th.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:36.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Alexander
Assistant Library Director
(Subject to approval at the December 2022 meeting.)