

Silver City Public Library Meeting

4:15 PM, Wednesday, June 8, 2016

Meeting held at the Public Library, 515 W. College Ave., Silver City NM

Present: Ted Lynn Hannah Wecks
Eileen Sullivan, Mike Dowd
Lynda Aiman-Smith

Absent: David Krisch, Nick Seibel
Public/Guests present:
Judy Lawson and John Lawson
(Lsilvercity@gmail), Kim Clark

Draft Library Board Meeting Minutes

Call to order at 4:15

Approval of Minutes from May 11, 2016 board meeting approved by unanimous consent

Approval of Agenda approved by unanimous consent

Public Input – Judy Lawson said she is here to listen and perhaps apply to the board, especially since she and John have been on the Friends of the Library board. She noted the Friends can generate about \$500/month, and brings in books for donation.

Since Judy and John have a young great-granddaughter they are particularly interested in young children's books and perhaps expanding the bookstore for more children's books.

Also interested in publicizing the library. Judy also worries about shut-ins and getting materials to those people who really cannot get to the library on their own.

This generated a bit of brainstorming – Hannah talked about service projects for youth in the Builders Club; Judy commented that home care services likely have access to the population in need.

Reports

A. Memorial Report – going to go with the Deep Freeze cloud and anti-virus package.

Eileen made an emergency request – the lift has stopped working, right in time for summer reading. She requested use of memorial funds. Mike Dowd motioned we authorize Eileen to spend up to \$1000 to repair the lift, Hannah Wecks seconded. Passed unanimously.

B. Friends of the Library Report – Annual meeting on 6/6/2016, reported doing quite well in the bookstore. Re-elected officers. Ted spoke to gathering.

C. Foundation Report – have about \$535,000 in Vanguard. There is \$10K invested with Edward Jones. Foundation will meet later 6-8-2016.

D. Librarian's Report – number of active programs in May. The Summer Reading program kicked off today, 385 people signed up so far. Library staff will be involved in Jump Into Summer event 6-11-2016 at Gough Park.

Starting on June 21, new children's library -- Chris Baumgarn. He is working on MLS degree, and has been doing a lot of youth programming. Some of the projects that the board identified in the strategic work hit a chord with Chris, and he seems quite enthusiastic.

Calendar of events is full, have a lot going on. The first week of summer can be pretty intense. We have some new computers that will be installed in the not-too-distant-future.

Kudos to Lillian and Ken, since they shouldered the work for planning the summer reading program.

Old Business NA

New Business

Review and discussion of draft of strategic plan components and suggested strategic actions
We reviewed the presented strategic plan, the outcome of all the strategic work the board has been doing with Renee Depres. Eileen suggested that the proposed document would be a good working foundation, and then she and the staff could work on the specific projects that could come out of the work.

The Silver City Public Library Strategic Plan components

Mission, Vision, Values Statement

Organizational History and Profile

Critical Issues

Strategic Goals and Objectives

Discussion -- Overall the board was pleased with the work. Members noted some minor changes (e.g. change language of constituents to patrons; some grammatical changes).

Hannah Wecks made a motion to adopt the strategic plan, with minor editing. Mike Dowd seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Eileen asked for feedback on the strategic plan development process. Overall participants liked the structure of working on bits at a time, liked the engaged process, would have preferred more summarization along the way rather than trying to work on what seemed like a number of unwieldy google docs.

Discussion of summer break for July 2016 and August 2016. The board agreed to recess for the summer and meet again in September.

Adjournment at 5:02pm

Minutes approved at Sept 14, 2016 board meeting.

Respectfully submitted by Lynda Aiman-Smith, Secretary