

BCPL Board Meeting – 08/08/2024

Call to Order: K. Miller-Corcoran called the meeting to order at 5:30pm

Attendees: Al Buyck, JoAnne Hanrahan, Charm Foster, Jeffri Boisvert, Kate Miller-Corcoran, Jillian Sandy, Sarah Glose, Sherry Kowalski, Kelly Sullivan, Kathleen Shores, Josias Bartram, Amanda Lewis, Marissa Knapp

Amendments to the Agenda: DEI Plan Added

Public Comments: None

Minutes: Motion to approve the July Minutes made by A. Buyck, seconded by J. Sandy. Unanimously approved.

Appointments: Motion to approve Cher Armstrong as Librarian I made by J. Hanrahan, seconded by C. Foster. Unanimously approved. Motion to approve Ezhara Morpho as Library Clerk made by J. Hanrahan, seconded by A. Buyck. Unanimously approved.

Resignations: Motion to approve the resignation of Board Member Jill Kissick-Castro made by A. Buyck, seconded by J. Hanrahan. Unanimously approved.

### **New Business**

DEI Plan: The new DEI plan was discussed. S. Glose mentioned that more inter-committee dialogue would increase efficacy. Motion to approve the plan made by A. Buyck, seconded by J. Sandy. Unanimously approved.

Grants/Project: J. Bartram spoke about the outstanding construction projects and the grants funding them. The library received a grant from the Hoyt foundation for redesign of the Reading Garden. He is also meeting with the Klee foundation.

Friends of the Library: J. Hanrahan spoke about the Friends' support and the money raised by the organization which has funded numerous projects. The Friends also support the staff development days. The MOU for the Friends is in the draft phase.

Committees: A proposal was put forth to open the Board subcommittees to community members. The Board hopes that this will provide additional support as well as offer a chance for members of the community to experience what board work is like. Motion made to approve the proposal by A. Buyck, seconded by J. Boisvert. Unanimously approved. Motion to approve Emily Pape as the first community member to join a committee (DEI) made by C. Foster, seconded by A. Buyck. Unanimously approved. Motion to approve committee chairs and membership made by S. Glose, seconded by J. Sandy. Unanimously approved.

### **Old Business**

Harm Reduction Vending Machine: M. Knapp spoke about the county initiative for harm reduction and its wide-reaching impacts. A. Lewis spoke about the importance of such initiatives for the community as well as peer support programs.

2025 Budget Proposal: J. Bartram spoke about the projected budget. At this stage, it looks promising and reception to our needs has been positive.

Board Manual/Documents: There was discussion regarding long overdue updates to the board manual and our hosting of it digitally.

Borrower Registration Policy: Motion was made to approve the new borrower registration policy by A. Buyck, seconded by J. Sandy. Unanimously approved.

Policy Review: Various outdated/informationally incorrect policies were put forth for repeal. Motion was made to repeal said policies by S. Glose, seconded by C. Foster. Unanimously approved.

Motion to end the meeting was made at 7:19pm by A. Buyck, seconded by J. Sandy. Unanimously approved.

Meeting ended at 7:19pm.