

Library Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

West Slope Community Library May 17, 2022, 5:00-6:30pm

In Attendance:

Kristen Thorp, Library Director Joanne Treuhaft, Vice Chair Lois Hays, member Amelia Nason, member Kristin Ingram, member

Call to order - 5:05pm - Treuhaft

Consent agenda – motion to approve the consent agenda and seconded. Motion approved

Public Comment – no public comment.

Friends of the Library introduction – Dorothy Gerlach, President and Carol Hellebuyck, Vice President joined the meeting.

Library Updates – Thorp gave an overview of the upcoming Summer Reading program including the community art project, free books for kids, and program offerings. The traffic mapping project had interesting information but there wasn't enough data for statistical conclusions to be made. Locker work will hopefully resume soon. The County had announced a hiring freeze which has impacts on our staffing shortages. Because of staffing shortages, we couldn't complete the Board resource packet as anticipated but will have that ready to share for July.

The state report process begins at the start of the FY and needs to be submitted to the State Library by the end of October. The library will be working on collecting data over the recently



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completed fiscal year. At our meeting in the Fall Thorp will plan on presenting a presentation on the state report including some historical data.

Thorp also shared an update on the rebranding, including colors and new library logo. With feedback from the new logo, follow up will be provided.

The volunteer program is a service that we had hoped to restart months ago but with staff capacity low we have been unsuccessful in accomplishing that. If we were to restart the volunteer program now, we would have to pause another service because of lack of capacity. We will be looking for areas of capacity soon.

Advisory Board Elections – Julie Solomon was unanimously voted as chair for one more term. Joanne Treuhaft was unanimously voted as vice chair for one more term.

Meeting was adjourned.