Asphodel-Norwood Public Library Board Minutes of Meeting March 14, 2022

Mission Statement

The Asphodel-Norwood Public Library supports and enriches the community by being a welcoming and inclusive gathering place that provides access to resources, programming and interactive lifelong learning and leisure opportunities.

The Asphodel-Norwood Public Library Board held its regular monthly meeting at Westwood Branch on Monday, March 14, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

The following Board members were present:
Rodger Bonneau, Jane Bryenton, Maggie Brickell, Mary Hay, Krista Rutherford, Paula Warr (Council Alternate)
Margaret Dawson sent regrets.
CEO/Librarian Patricia Reed was also present.

Call to Order

Chairperson Krista Rutherford called the meeting to order and reminded members of the Board of their obligation to declare any pecuniary interest that they may have in regard to any matter coming before the Board. There were no declarations.

Approval of Agenda

01.03.22 Motion

Moved by Rodger Bonneau Seconded by Jane Bryenton That the Agenda be approved as circulated Cd.

Approval of Minutes

02.03.22 Motion

Moved by Maggie Brickell Seconded by Rodger Bonneau

That the minutes for the Regular Board Meeting held February 14, 2022 be approved.

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Business Arising from the Minutes

CEO/Librarian Patricia Reed outlined the drafts of the Strategic Plan Scorecard and the Communication Plan and sought input from the Board. Revised versions will be brought forward at subsequent meetings. The implications of recent changes to COVID health guidelines were discussed.

03.03.22 Motion

Moved by Paula Warr Seconded by Maggie Brickell
That the ANPL Reopening Guidelines be rescinded immediately and that the Safety Plan
and Mask Policy be rescinded effective March 21, 2022.

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After discussion, it was concluded that further research and discussion with the Culture and Historical Committee with respect to the Library's 100th Year Anniversary would be required.

CEO Reports

CEO/Librarian Patricia Reed highlighted her reports for March

04.03.22 Motion

Moved by Rodger Bonneau

Seconded by Mary Hay

That the CEO Report be received.

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Committee Reports

Finance:

Mary Hay reviewed the February 2022 Budget to Actual report, identifying no issues of concern.

There were no other committee reports.

05.03.22 Motion

Moved by Jane Bryenton

Seconded by Maggie Brickell

That the committee report be received.

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New/Other Business

After discussion, it was agreed that the Library branches would operate regularly scheduled hours on Saturday, April 16 (Easter Saturday).

Patricia Reed identified furniture which is surplus or in need of replacement.

06.03.22 Motion

Moved by Rodger Bonneau

Seconded by Jane Bryenton

That the office furniture and chairs as recommended by the CEO/Librarian be declared surplus and disposed of.

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Patricia Reed provided information with respect to comparative user fees for copying and use of the 3D printer and Cricut equipment. More research will be completed and provided to the Board for the establishment of appropriate user fees.

A proposed schedule of Board meetings for 2022 was discussed.

07.03.22 Motion

Moved by Maggie Brickell

Seconded by Jane Bryenton

That regular Library Board meetings be scheduled in 2022 for the months of

February, March, May, June, September, October and November.

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Patricia Reed outlined plans for a poetry contest in April and solicited suggestions for sources of prizes. Rodger Bonneau and Paula Warr indicated their willingness to support this venture.

08.03.22 Motion

Moved by Rodger Bonneau Seconded by Paula Warr That the Library Board move into Closed Session at 8:09 p.m.

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11.03.22 Motion

Moved by Rodger Bonneau Seconded by Maggie Brickell That the Library Board reconvene in Open Session at 8:15 p.m.

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12.03.22 Motion

Moved by Rodger Bonneau Seconded by Maggie Brickell
That effective March 21, 2002, Laurie Strawbridge be employed as Library Assistant.
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Ouestions/Answers

None forthcoming

Other Business

Paula Warr outlined two events being planned by the Culture & Historical Committee: a visit by Kathy Storring to discuss her book about her grandmother, Ruth Birdsall Elmhurst; and a celebration in June of Oueen Elizabeth's 70 years as queen.

Adjournment

13.03.22 Motion

Moved by Jane Bryenton

That the meeting be declared adjourned.

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Next Regular Board Meeting - Monday, April 11, 2022, 7:00 p.m.

Chairperson, Krista Rutherford

Acting Recording Secretary, Mary Hay