

Summit County Library Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Date: September 19, 2024

Location: Kamas Valley Branch - Hybrid in person/Zoom Meeting

Present:

Dan Compton, Lo Bannerman Dennis, Heather Hoyt, Jesse Meshkov, Amanda Norton, Laura Schmidt, Emily Stolen, Carrie Willoughby, Rachel Spohn

Quorum present

Absent: Tonja Hanson, Loralie Pearce, Tina Pignatelli, Janna Young

Meeting called to order by Laura Schmidt at 6:02 p.m.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion to approve July 18, 2024, minutes made by Emily Stolen, 2nd by Lo Bannerman Dennis. Vote Unanimous. Minutes approved.

Public Input: None

Administration: None

Director's Report – Dan Compton

Goal 1 – Expand the user experience for our library patrons.

Open + interest continues to grow. Currently there have been some issues and some new parts needed for continued use. The device on the outside door has been replaced and new wiring has been ordered.

Dan applied for the UETN Digital Opportunity Initiative grant opportunity. The request is for new color printers at each branch. If received, a new price policy will need to be created.

Goal 2 – Create programs and offer resources that connect with the ever-changing and growing Summit County population.

The One Book One Community was a great success. Author Kali Fajardo-Anstine visited for a final community event where she shared her family story.

Friends of the Library Used Book Sale is coming up over the weekend.

There is a new Beanstack challenge called Turn Over a New Leaf being offered to all patrons.

The Human Library event will be held on October 5th and will be funded by the Friends of the Summit County Library.

Wasatch Back Book Festival will be celebrated the week of October 21-27. The library will be hosting author Pam Houston. Activities each week will be offered in different locations. The Wasatch County Library, Utah Humanities, Park City Library, and Dolly's Bookstore are in the local partnership.

Goal 3 – Nurture a culture where all staff feel empowered and valued.

The Young Adult Librarian Tiana Faavale is coming back from parental leave.

Team Day will be on October 14.

Report Accepted

Old Business: None

Committees:

Governance and Education

Chair: Tina Pignatelli, Members: Emily Stolen, Jesse Meshkov, Loralie Pearce

The committee collectively determined relevant information and took that into account to draft a new Meeting and Study Room Policy. Concerns and changes were discussed regarding the policy.

Motion to approve the Meeting and Study Room Policy with discussed changes to move forward pending edits mentioned for section 2.5, adding a policy number, and upon Helen's approval made by Lo Bannerman Dennis, 2nd by Jesse Meshkov. Motion approved. All in Favor. Policy Approved.

Strategic Planning and Marketing

Chair: Lo Bannerman Dennis, Members: Carrie Willoughby, Laura Schmidt

2025-2027 Strategic Plan- Patron Survey results are in and the goal of 300 completed surveys returned was almost met. Some concerns and staff compliments were discussed and shared based on initial results.

Lo Bannerman Dennis will share with the library staff survey results and staff appreciation mentions at the staff meeting on October 14th. There are many compliments and appreciative comments on the survey regarding the staff.

The past survey and the new survey results will be compared and evaluated. Initial survey results show questions regarding Sunday hours, supporting personal patron values within books, finding age-appropriate books for children, and shared interest in book creation for patrons. The information will be used to create a new strategic plan for planning for the future and changing needs of the community.

Building and Facilities

Chair: Amanda Norton, Members: Tina Pignatelli, Heather Hoyt, Lo Bannerman Dennis

The future of the Sheldon Richins building and the Kimball Junction branch are still being discussed. The use of the Skull Candy building for library space is also being discussed based on new ideas and plans in the works within the county.

Discussions between the County Council and Dakota Pacific are still being held regarding the use of future space, area changes, and development ideas for a Public/Private partnership.

Once decisions are finalized, the committee will have a need to plan a move or building transfer for library space.

Business:

Dan is happy with the 2025 budget approvals that were given. Sunday hours and staff to cover this request were not approved. COLA, Merit increases, and career ladder changes were approved for staff.

New Business: None

Next Meeting Date and Location-November 21, 2024, 6 p.m. at the Coalville Branch building. Possible Zoom hybrid.

Miscellaneous/ Open Floor: None

Adjournment:

**Motion to adjourn by Heather Hoyt, 2nd by Lo Bannerman Dennis.
All in favor. Vote Unanimous**

Meeting Adjourned at 7:38 p.m.