

Estes Valley Public Library District
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES

Monday, September 21, 2020 at 6:30pm

Estes Valley Library / Virtual Zoom Room / Live Streaming on YouTube

Call to Order / Welcome – John Krueger, President

The Board President, John Krueger, called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm on Monday September 21, 2020. The following were present:

TRUSTEES: John Krueger, President; David Hemphill, Treasurer; Bill Gerritz, Secretary; Ann Coleman; Beth Ellis; Kay Weston

FRIENDS & FOUNDATION LIAISON: Ann Finley, President;

STAFF: Claudine Perrault; Joanna Stensland

Public Comments: None

Consent Agenda

1. Board of Trustees meeting Minutes: August 17, 2020
2. Income & Expense reports: August, 2020 YTD

Gerritz moved and Ellis seconded a motion to accept the September Consent Agenda. Krueger noted that the agenda had the incorrect date of 2019 for the Income & Expense reports and that this should be 2020. **Ayes all. (20-14)**

Strategic Discussion & Reports

- Gov't Affairs – Krueger
 - Lessons Learned from CALCON
Trustees shared their takeaways from CALCON. Social Justice and Library Neutrality may be a topic for a future study session. Reviewing the CORA policy was recommended. Krueger thanked Hemphill, and those who assisted him, for his presentation at CALCON.
- Finance Committee - Hemphill
 - Amendment B (Gallagher repeal) on Colorado Ballot
Hemphill explained Amendment B and how it would take the baseline residential tax rate from the Constitution and make it a statute. If passed, there would be a residential rate freeze for 4 years.
Action Point: Krueger, via Perrault, will send to the Trustees the write-up from the League of Women Votes on the various propositions and amendments on the ballot.
 - DOLA grant: Coronavirus Relief Fund
Cindy Seckman applied for a reimbursement grant of COVID-19 expenses. The grant provides up to \$60k reimbursement.
- Library Director – Perrault

Perrault highlighted aspects of the Admin Report. Cindy Seckman's job title is now "Accountant". Perrault proposes operating on the same strategic goals for 2021-2023 but with fewer objectives and more specific outcomes. Early literacy remains an important objective. Perrault thanked Sarah Walsh and Melanie Kozlowski for their help in submitting an early literacy grant application.

- Friends & Foundation – Finley
Ann Finley reported that there would be no annual meeting this year. Voting on the slate of officers would instead take place by email. She also reported on recent large gifts received and the ability to now make automatic monthly donations.
Krueger reminded the board of the expectation that Trustees also become members of the Friends & Foundation and make some contribution to achieve annual fundraising goals.

Action Items

- Gov't Affairs – Krueger
 - Resolution of Support for Colorado Amendment B: Gallagher Repeal
Some language in the Resolution was borrowed from the Estes Valley Fire District's resolution.
Coleman moved and Hemphill seconded a motion to approve the Resolution of Support for Colorado Amendment B. Krueger explained Amendment B and encouraged everyone to let friends and neighbors know the Library's position. **Ayes all (20-15)**
Perrault reported that dialogue has taken place with other local districts. Krueger encouraged Library staff to submit the library board's Amendment B resolution to the newspaper and website.
- Policy Committee - Gerritz & Ellis
 - Approve Patron Behavior Addendum: COVID-19 Guidelines
Gerritz moved to approve the addendum to the Patron Behavior Policy and Coleman seconded. The policy addendum covers more operational details than usual but the goal is to support staff in applying COVID-19 requirements. **Ayes all (20-16)**
- Nominating Task Force - Gerritz & Weston
 - Approve Task Force Recommendation for 2021 Trustees
 - David Hemphill for first full term: 2021-2024
 - Peter Johnson for first full term: 2021-2024
 - Lynn Lawson to complete Zornes' unfinished term: 2021-2022

Krueger made a motion to approve the recommendation of David Hemphill for a full term 2021-2024, Peter Johnson for his first full term 2021-2024 and Lynn Lawson to complete Zornes' unfinished term 2021-2022, to be given to the Estes Park Town Trustees and Larimer County Commissioners for their approval. Gerritz seconded the motion. The Nominating Task Force gave to the trustees some background on their recommendations of the three candidates. There were a total of 4 new applicants. **Ayes all (20-17)**

STAFF ACTION: Perrault will send the Board's recommendations to the Town and to the County, copying the letters to the Nominating task force.

The Town and County boards have 60 days to respond to the recommendations. If not ratified, the decision defaults to the recommended names in January.

Upcoming Trustee Meetings

- Board Study Session: Thursday, October 1, 2020, 6:30p
Preliminary draft budget discussion.
- Regular Board Meeting: Monday, October 19, 2020, 6:30p

Other Events

- **No** Friends & Foundation Annual Meeting: *please vote for board slate by email before October 2.*
Next Friends & Foundation Board Meeting will be on October 26th. Gerritz will attend on behalf of the Board of Trustees.

Adjourn: The President adjourned the meeting at 7:29 pm.

Minutes prepared by Joanna Stensland

Respectfully submitted,
Bill Gerritz, Secretary

[attachments]

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Resolutions from September 21, 2020

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