

**THOSE IN ATTENDANCE:** Patricia Stokes, Chair; Debra Stafsholt, Vice-Chair; Marissa Day; Sharon Serpico Hanson; Greg Hembrock; Janet Smith; Ann Sowder; Ann Whitworth, Friends of the Library Liaison; Ed Parigian, Council Liaison **EXCUSED:** Seth Beal; Andrea Zavala

**STAFF IN ATTENDANCE:** Adriane Herrick Juarez, Executive Director; Angela Dohanos, Assistant Director & Head of Cataloging & Collections; Becca Lael, Head of Events & Publicity; Christine Roh, Head of Information, Technology, & Circulation; Kate Black, Library Board Secretary

## **I. ROLL CALL**

Ms. Stokes called the meeting to order at 12:00 PM.

## **II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

01-15-25: Ms. Smith motioned to approve the minutes. Mr. Hembrock seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

## **III. COMMUNICATIONS AND DISCLOSURES FROM BOARD, LIAISONS, AND STAFF**

There were a few corrections to phone numbers listed on the FY25 Library Board contact list.

Ms. Herrick Juarez thanked Ms. Sowder, who provided Ms. Herrick Juarez a ticket to a screening of the 2025 Sundance film, *The Librarians*. The film is about school librarians uniting to combat unprecedented book bannings and censorship in various US states in recent years. The director of *The Librarians*, Kim A. Snyder, also provided a few complementary tickets to library staff who were pleased to attend. Ms. Herrick Juarez also noted that Library Board members are advocates for intellectual freedom and thanked everyone for their support.

There was general discussion regarding moving the Park City Senior Center to the Mawhinney lot across the street from the library. Board members gave arguments of concern regarding limited space and considerations of the future expansion of the physical library and its parking spaces. Ms. Herrick Juarez mentioned that some libraries have a joint model where the senior center and public library connect to create a big community space (in Millcreek, for example). Those in attendance brainstormed ideas that would benefit the Senior Center and the Library while providing adequate parking options.

## **IV. DIRECTOR'S REPORT AND STATISTICS**

Ms. Herrick Juarez gave some highlights from the February Director's Report, including various programming, a jump in general library statistics, library card sign-ups via student registration, and the new security gates and automated sorter coming in March.

## **V. FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY REPORT**

Ms. Whitworth gave an FOL update, including library asks that were approved at last week's FOL Board meeting: \$6,000 for Spanish services (including the purchase of more Wonderbooks, Playaways, Launch Pads); \$414 for a movie license renewal so the library can show movies to the public; \$700 for a sewing machine that will be for upcoming sewing classes; and \$300 for new puzzles for the popular Puzzle Races program.

Ms. Whitworth reminded everyone that on March 24<sup>th</sup> the FOL will be sponsoring an author event at the library: award-winning journalist Zak Podmore will be coming to speak about his new book, [Life After Dead Pool: Lake Powell's Last Days and the Rebirth of the Colorado River](#). There will be a Meet and Greet for FOL members and their guests at 5PM in the Community Room, and at 6PM we will move to the Santy to have a 1-hour presentation. This will be followed by a book reading and signing. This event is free of charge.

## **VI. OLD BUSINESS**

The Strategic Plan subcommittees gave updates.

Ms. Herrick Juarez said the Book Festival subcommittee met after the success of the Book Festival in October and talked about what they loved and what they would do differently next year.

Ms. Smith said the Sages and Seekers subcommittee met earlier this morning. They want to come up with a series of events that will encompass intergenerational programming. Some ideas include a screening of Screenagers, a documentary that explores how technology impacts the development and mental health of our youth. The nonprofit that produced this documentary also has various resources and materials geared toward parents and kids. The subcommittee is also looking into a partnership with the Park City Junior Leadership program, and are trying to form a middle school advisory board. Another idea was to bring an animal sanctuary program to the library – perhaps a person to speak on equine therapy and possible career paths for high school students.

The Building Updates subcommittee will be meeting soon and is working to compile relevant statistics, as well as a draft of an observational survey they would like to put out. Ms. Roh said they will have more information for March's meeting.

Ms. Lael gave an update on Santy Auditorium and ADA access. Park City Handy Man has given them a quote and they have submitted a budget request. They are also exploring options for auditory amplification and subtitles.

## **VII. NEW BUSINESS**

None.

## **VIII. EDUCATION ITEM**

Ms. Dohanos presented an Education Item on the Library's Reconsideration Policy and process. This has to do with how the library handles book challenges. These policies are localized and up to date, and staff has been trained on these items so that we are prepared to handle any reconsideration issues.

## **X. OTHER/SUMMARY**

None.

## **XI. ADJOURN**

Mr. Beal moved to adjourn the meeting, which Ms. Stafsholt seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 1:40 PM.

## **UPCOMING SCHEDULE**

The Park City Library Monthly Board of Directors Meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 19, 2025, from 12:00 PM until 1:30 PM in the Park City Library, 1255 Park Avenue, Park City, Utah 84060. This meeting will be open to the public both in-person and electronically. If you wish to attend this meeting electronically, please contact the Library Board Secretary, Kate Black, at [kate.black@parkcity.org](mailto:kate.black@parkcity.org), prior to this meeting time to receive login information.