

Astoria Library Board Meeting
Astoria Public Library
November 28, 2017
5:30 pm.

Present: Library Board members Kate Deeks, David Oser, Susan Stein, Kimberley Chaput, and Chris Womack. Staff Library Director Jimmy Pearson.

Call to Order: Chair Kate Deeks called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm.

Approval of Agenda: The agenda was approved as presented.

Approval of Minutes: Minutes for October 2017 will be presented during the next scheduled meeting for approval.

Board Reports: There were none.

Library Director's Report:

- Library Facilities: Director Pearson is gathering bids to refurbish main floor chairs to clean and new upholstery.
- The Request for Proposal (RFP) for Architectural/Engineering Services is posted. Proposals are due December 6, 2017.
- IT Update: The library has received a donation of a flatbed scanner.
- Collection Development: PlayAway's, new audiobook format, have been a success thus far. Staff will review in 2018 considering continuation of the trial.
- Director's Activities:
 - Mayor LaMear, Councilor Price, City Manager Estes, and Director Pearson travelled to Salem Oregon on November 7, 2017. The group presented to the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court the Territorial Court Journals representing Clatsop County dated from 1849.
 - Director Pearson attended the Public Library Division Board Meeting in Irrigon Oregon on the 17th.

Libraries Change Lives:

- A young reader was reading to our therapy dog Maise and became frustrated. Maise decided he needed a kiss and it worked to alleviate his frustration allowing him to continue to read.
- A couple who lives outside city limits were using the library on the 25th informed staff they do not like paying for a library card, however, they had heard so much was going on at the library it is worth paying for.
- When asked for a heartwarming story...Meghann replied we warm hearts all day long so it's difficult to pick just one.

Update on ALFA Activities: There was none.

Update on Foundation:

New Business: There was none.

Old Business: Director Pearson clarified the Library Card/Internet Use Policy discussion from the October meeting. Staff will issue library cards to patrons 16 years and older which aligns with our Internet Use Policy as well.

Public Comments: There were none.

Items for Next Meeting's Agenda: N/A

Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:03 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jimmy Pearson, Library Director