



**MINUTES**

April 23, 2024

5:15 p.m.

Hybrid

**Approved: May 28, 2024**

Call to Order

Chair Steve Borst called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

Roll Call

Members present: Amanda Blaisdell, Steve Borst, Bob Brown, Jaci Eiquihua, Linda Hart, Karen Messer, Amy Roberts

Staff present: Eric Ikenouye, Library Director; Elise Schuh, Administrative Services Coordinator

Approval of March 26, 2024, Minutes:

**5:16 p.m.**

MOTION: Board Member Bob Brown moved to approve the minutes as written. Board Member Jaci Eiquihua seconded it and it passed (6-0).

Scheduled Business

**5:18 p.m.**

The Board reviewed and discussed the updated Facility Use Policy for approval.

Library Director Eric Ikenouye states that the policy is nearly five years old and in need of an update to ensure fair use of the facility.

Board Member Amy Roberts joined at 5:21 (virtual).

In response to questions from Borst and Brown, Ikenouye shares that there are long-standing groups who have used the space after hours and that the main library space is locked and alarmed when the meeting room is in use. The Library Director will make the final decisions on reservations.

In response to a question about requests for commercial use, Administrative Services Coordinator Elise Schuh shared they were a rare occurrence, and groups can appeal to the Library Director as needed.

Board Member Karen Messer moved to accept the updated Facility Use Policy. Eiquihua seconded it and it passed (6-1).

Staff update

**5:35 p.m.**

Ikenouye shared updates about the recent Friends of the Library Uncorked and Booksale events.

The Library of Things is in progress, and in response to a question from Borst, Ikenouye states that the collection's target availability is early summer.

A new 24-hour assistant has been added to the Library Staff. Saturday hours at the Main Library have increased to open at 10:00 a.m., and the Library will be hosting a booth at the Farmer's Market over the summer.

A local rotary donated \$500 to the Library for an interactive alphabet wall in the Children's area.

Ikenouye shared some of the upcoming library programs.

In response to questions from Brown about external Library Services, Ikenouye shared that numerous staff members work on community outreach at many different locations, in addition to the booth at the Albany Farmer's Market. Various staff have also been invited to speak at events.

Adjournment

Hearing no further business, Borst adjourned the meeting at 6:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Elise Schuh  
Administrative Services Coordinator

Reviewed by,



Eric Ikenouye  
Library Director

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