



TUALATIN LIBRARY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

August 4, 2020

Present: Alan Feinstein, Kaia Gill, Dana Paulino, Thea Wood, Marcus Young

Absent: Nicholas Schiller, Laura Stewart

Public:

Staff: Jerianne Thompson, Library Director

A. CALL TO ORDER

Thea Wood called the meeting to order at 6:03 PM.

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The July meeting minutes were approved by consensus.

C. COMMUNICATIONS

1. Chair: None.

2. Staff: Jerianne Thompson reported Tualatin Library has distributed about 300 books to youth in the community through the free summer lunch sites. The Library continues to offer an assortment of virtual programs, serve as a free lunch site, and provide take-and-make craft bags. Thompson shared recent usage statistics.

3. Teen Library Committee: Kaia Gill reported that TLC is preparing to interview new applicants for the committee.

4. Public: None.

D. NEW BUSINESS

1. Library Fines: Jerianne Thompson reported that Washington County Cooperative Library Services (WCCLS) has developed a proposal to go overdue fine-free to support local and countywide equity goals. Research shows that library fines disproportionately affect communities of color and families with low income. Last fiscal year, Tualatin Library collected about \$17,500 in overdue fines, which represents less than 1% of the library's budget. Alan Feinstein moved to support the fine-free proposal; Dana Paulino seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

2. Children's Room & Teen Room Policy: Jerianne Thompson presented proposed revisions to the Children's Room & Teen Room Use Policy. A

statement about use of computers in the Children's Room was removed because the Internet-accessible computers are no longer in the Children's Room. Kaia Gill suggested moving two statements, describing the intended use of the Children's and Teen rooms, from the Policy section to the Rules section. Alan Feinstein moved to recommend approval of the policy, with the suggested edits; Dana Paulino seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

E. OLD BUSINESS

1. Plan for Restoring Library Services: Jerianne Thompson updated the committee on current library services. The Library has transitioned to an online scheduling system for curbside pickup of holds, allowing patrons to self-schedule appointments. The Library is continuing to follow a phased plan calling for incremental restoration of services, with guidance from health and safety experts.

F. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

G. COMMUNICATIONS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS

1. Members: None.

H. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 6:41 PM.

_____, Jerianne Thompson, Recording Secretary