Tuesday, October 24, 2023: Open Session

Trustees in Attendance: Echo Alexzander, Diana Brazeale, Stephanie Sekscinski, and Allyson Tuckness.

Trustee(s) Absent: Janis Hagen.

Christian County Library's Board of Trustees met for a regular monthly session on Tuesday, October 24, 2023 in the Netzer Meeting Room of the Ozark Community Branch. 68 members of the community were present.

President Allyson Tuckness presided.

Start Time: 6:00 p.m.

Consent Agenda

President Tuckness asked to remove the monthly financial reports from the consent agenda.

Diana Brazeale then moved to table approval of the October financial reports until the November meeting. Stephanie Sekscinski seconded. All Trustees present were in favor. The motion passed. Roll Call: Trustee Alexzander: Aye; Trustee Brazeale: Aye; and Trustee Sekscinski: Aye.

Stephanie Sekscinski moved to approve all remaining items in the consent agenda. Echo Alexzander seconded. All Trustees present were in favor. The motion passed. Roll Call: Trustee Alexzander: Aye; Trustee Brazeale: Aye; and Trustee Sekscinski: Aye.

Administrative Highlights

Director of Communications and Community Engagement, Nicholas Holladay, gave an overview of several marketing metrics the library utilizes to track the effectiveness of library services. Second quarter 2023 results show CCL outperforming comparable libraries and surpassing equivalent industry standards.

Old Business

Parent Resources

Executive Director Brumett provided a progress report on efforts to develop new finding aids and centralize existing resources designed to help every parent find the materials that are right for their family. Administrators hope to debut a webpage and print materials detailing these readers' advisory tools by the end of the first quarter of next year.

New Business

December Board Meeting Schedule

President Tuckness will not be available to attend the December meeting as scheduled so Trustees discussed alternate dates, tentatively settling on Monday, December 18th.

Draft 2024 Budget

Executive Director Brumett presented a first draft of the 2024 budget and answered Trustee questions. The final draft will be brought to Trustees in November for a vote.

2024 Interim Director and Understudy Appointments

Executive Director Brumett designated Dana Roberts, Director of Youth Services, as Interim Director and Tory Pegram, Director of Development and Strategic Partnerships, as Understudy to the Interim Director for 2024 as required by the Executive Director Succession Policy.

Public Comments

This month speakers included: David Rice, Alfred (Fred) Bobe, Gretchen Garrity, Mike Miller, Aileena Keen, Wanetta Bright, and Jamie Ray Gragg.

Adjournment The meeting was adjourned by the presiding Chair at 6:53 p.m.