Tuesday, April 22, 2025: Open Session

Trustees in Attendance: John Garrity, Janis Hagen, Mary Hernandez de Carl, and Echo Schneider.

Trustee(s) Absent: Diana Brazeale.

Christian County Library's Board of Trustees met for a regular monthly session on Tuesday, April 22, 2025, in the Large Meeting Room of the Nixa Community Branch.

President Echo Schneider presided.

Start Time: 6:00 p.m.

Consent Agenda

John Garrity moved to approve all items in the consent agenda. The motion was seconded. All Trustees present were in favor. The motion passed. Roll Call: Trustee Garrity: Aye; Trustee Hagen: Aye; and Trustee Hernandez de Carl: Aye.

Administrative Highlights

How Hoopla Daily Limits Work No board action was taken.

Old Business

Resource Sharing Software Update No board action was taken.

Update on RFQ for Legal Representation of Library District in Ongoing Litigation No board action was taken.

Policy and Bylaw Subcommittee Progress Report No board action was taken.

Budget Subcommittee Progress Report No board action was taken.

Revisiting October 22, 2024 Board Decision to Provide Copies of Legal Memos Prepared by Library Counsel to Public Record and Board Packets

Mary Hernandez de Carl moved to rescind the October 2024 board decision to provide legal memos to public record in board packets and moving forward, all legal memos are to be considered attorney-client privileged unless counsel advises to release, effective retroactively from January 1, 2025. The motion was seconded. 1 Trustee was in favor and 2 opposed. The motion failed. Roll Call: Aye; Trustee Garrity: Nay; Trustee Hagen: Nay; and Trustee Hernandez de Carl: Aye.

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Labeling Library Materials

Janis Hagen moved that at this time, the Board has made a decision that labeling specific books is not an appropriate action to take but that they will be pursuing informed consent, specifically informed consent information for parents and families. The motion was seconded. Echo Schneider then moved to make a friendly amendment, that was accepted by Trustee Hagen, to add an agenda item to next month's regular meeting about informed consent for parents and families instead of including it as a part of the motion. Finally, President Schneider restated the final motion wording as "the Board will take no action on labeling at this time" before moving to a vote. All Trustees present were in favor. The motion passed. Roll Call: Trustee Garrity: Aye; Trustee Hagen: Aye; and Trustee Hernandez de Carl: Aye.

New Business

Employee Health Insurance Plan Renewal

Janis Hagen moved to approve the employee health insurance plan renewal as presented. The motion was seconded. All Trustees present were in favor. The motion passed. Roll Call: Trustee Garrity: Aye; Trustee Hagen: Aye; and Trustee Hernandez de Carl: Aye.

Phone Services Review No board action was taken.

Library Promotional Strategies No board action was taken.

Library Social Media Moderation No board action was taken.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by the Chair at 8:38 p.m.