

Tuesday, July 26, 2022: Open Session

Trustees in Attendance: Paula Bishop, Janis Hagen, Stephanie Sekscinski, Matthew Suarez, and Allyson Tuckness.

Trustee(s) Absent: None.

Also present: Renee Brumett; Laura Collins; Sarah Hayter; Nicholas Holladay; Jordan Gloyd; Jeremy; Mary Miles; Tory Pegram; Dana Roberts (at 6:15 p.m.); Tamara; Mary Thompson; Don Watson; and Scott Woosley.

Christian County Library's Board of Trustees met in a regular monthly session at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, July 26, 2022 by Zoom.

President Matthew Suarez presided.

Any reports, exhibits, or supporting materials presented during the open portions of this meeting and referred to in these minutes may be obtained [upon request](#).

Start Time: 6:00 p.m.

Public Comments

None presented.

Consent Agenda

All items in the consent agenda were adopted without objection.

Trustee Bishop inquired about the library communications department's emails referenced in the Director's Report, and staff promised to double check that all Trustees are subscribed to the library's e-newsletters.

Old Business

COVID Update

Executive Director Brumett reported that Christian County recently moved from high back down to medium risk according to the CDC's COVID-19 Community Level rankings. No changes in library service beyond temporarily switching some in-person administrative meetings to virtual ones as needed are recommended at this time. She will continue to regularly monitor advisories and recommendations from local, state, and national health experts to ensure both patron and staff safety.

Finance Update - Nixa Purchase

After receiving recommendations and three bids, an appraiser was chosen and scheduled for August. Once the appraisal is complete, the library's financial advisor will present financing options to the Board.

Meanwhile, the Bank will not finish moving their IT equipment out of the building until November, so plans to rent the additional office space agreed upon have been delayed until at least that time.

Strategic Planning Update

The Core Planning Committee has met and begun to map out and delegate tasks. Executive Director Brumett urged Trustees to share any key contacts they may have personally or professionally with community leaders and organizations the library can consult to ensure the plan developed is compatible with the already stated goals, strategies, and values of the community.

New Business

2021 Audit

Mary Miles from Miles CPA & Associates, LLC presented the results of the library's 2021 audit. The library received the highest rating available.

Public Policy Updates

Circulation Policies

Janis Hagen moved to update the library's circulation policies as presented. Paula Bishop seconded. All Trustees present were in favor. The motion passed. Roll Call: Trustee Bishop: Aye; Trustee Hagen: Aye; Trustee Sekscinski: Aye; Trustee Tuckness: Aye.

Miscellaneous Informational Administrative Notes

Rescheduling In-Person Board Meeting at Clever Community Branch for August

The group agreed to move the August meeting of the Board of Trustees scheduled for the 23rd in Nixa to the Clever Community Branch since tonight's meeting had to be moved to Zoom.

Missouri Library Association (MLA) Conference Comes to Springfield

Executive Director Brumett notified Trustees that the annual MLA conference will be held in Springfield from September 28 - 30th. She will circulate the conference agenda as it is finalized and encouraged any Trustees interested to consider attending.

Adjournment

Stephanie Sekscinski moved to adjourn. Allyson Tuckness seconded. All Trustees present were in favor. The motion passed. Roll Call: Trustee Bishop: Aye; Trustee Hagen: Aye; Trustee Sekscinski: Aye; Trustee Tuckness: Aye.

The meeting adjourned at 6:38 p.m.