

# Lafayette Public Library Board Meeting Minutes

Remote meeting via Zoom Conference

September 13, 2021

## I. **Call to order** at 6:36 pm

Present: Chair Olivia Ameigh, Vice Chair Susan Curtis, Randy Bender, Ed Knight, Jess Gribble, Jody Tracy, Denice Walker, Autumn Warrington, Library Director Melissa Hisel, Assistant Director Scott Foley, Programs & Community Engagement Manager, Dominique Burns, Teen Librarian Renee Jacobsen, and City Council Liaison Tim Barnes.

**Library Mission** : “The Lafayette Public Library brings community, information, and ideas together to inspire learning, literacy, and discovery.”

## II. **Comments from Public** : None.

III. **Approval of Minutes from July 2021 Meeting** : Ameigh moved to accept the minutes from the July 2021 meeting with a correction to the spelling of Denice Walker’s name. Gribble seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

IV. **2021 Summer Reading and Teen Program Presentation from Teen Librarian, Renee Jacobsen** : Close to 5,000 books were given out for prizes during the 2021 Summer Reading Program, which was comparable to prior years. Planning for next year’s program is underway. Teen volunteers were able to be back in the library helping with the Summer Reading Program as well as opportunities for volunteering online. As of September 1, the teen team had volunteered for a total of 720 hours in 2021. Volunteer opportunities exist in many areas in addition to Summer Reading including Reading Buddies, Writing Buddies, Maker Buddies, and the Teen Collection Connection.

V. **Staff Update**: An all-staff training day took place in August. An appreciation event for City staff will take place on September 15, and the library will close early so that all staff can participate. The library is re-opened on Mondays after pandemic closures. Kate Merrell, Homework Center and Makerspace Coordinator left her position for another role. Patty Frobisher, Collection and Technical Services, will be retiring in October. Because of this and another opening yet to be filled, the library will be hiring for three of the six full time positions. Director Hisel provided further updates at the library including a GED program shifting from the Longmont Library to Lafayette, and a new COVID-19 test delivery service set up by a Centaurus High School student.

VI. **Board Vacancies:** Tracy's term was up in January 2021 and Knight's term was up in June 2021. Ameigh made a motion to grant a three year extension to their terms. Curtis seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

VII. **Foundation Liaison Update:** Bender updated the Board about the FOLF account balance and noted that about \$3,600 was raised during the last Book Sale. Next meeting will take place September 14 where the next Book Sale will be planned.

VIII. **City Council Liaison Report:** Councilor Barnes reported to the Board that City Council is currently taking feedback on the Comprehensive Plan and Multimodal Transportation Plan. Barnes also reported that Council approved resolution No. 2021-61 assigning the Private Activity Bonds to the Boulder County Housing Authority for affordable housing and had also approved first reading of ordinance No. 17, Series 2021 which requires major remodels and new buildings to be solar and EV-ready. He also reported that Lafayette police officers have been trained and are using body-worn cameras.

IX. **Next Meeting Date :** The next meeting will take place on October 11, 2021 at 6:30 pm.

X. **Adjourn:** Meeting adjourned at 7:57 pm.