

RICHMOND PUBLIC LIBRARY

Board Meeting minutes for Wednesday, January 3, 2024 Park Community Center

The meeting began at 6:00 pm with Kayla Robison calling the meeting to order. Board members missing were: Wyman Satchel, and City Rep Holly Jo Karen. Members present were: Kayla Robison, KarLee Roberts, Fran Schumann, Tori Fischer, Annie Griffiths, Alexia Lott, Richard Carlson, Wayne Henderson, and Lora Smith. Minutes from the August meeting were read by Annie Griffiths. Motion to approve the minutes as read was made by Wayne Henderson and seconded by Richard Carlson.

Reports from board members were then presented.

- Chairperson Kayla Robison shared the success of the November PBS reading marathon.
- KarLee Roberts brought up incentives for the summer reading program. Children will receive books. As for adults the group brought up gift cards to select books, or having participants sign up to order a book after the completion of the program.
- Fran Schumann shared that the upcoming adult programming activity will be the State of the City on February 1st.
- Tori Fischer spoke about recent teen activities, including Human Stratego which received eleven participants, and the Christmas party with thirteen. Ideas were brought up around re-advertising, and how to get more teens to show up, but no definitive answer was decided on. Upcoming activities will be Yoga night in January, and a game night in February.
- RCYC representatives reported the reorganized presidency; both members will be staying on the board. And more support will be given to teen programming from other members of the youth council.
- Richard Carlson Shared about the success of book orders for the park bench. Then continued with marketing. February is love your library month, which includes the library logo contest. This will be advertised in the library newsletter.
- Wayne Henderson about the library mascot and its successful implementation.
- Lora Smith concluded with a director's report. The 2022 annual report summary showed growing use of online libraries. Puzzles are now for checkout in the library. January is the library's mental health month, it will include weekly yoga nights, and a wellness centered book of the month. This year, multiple board members will be leaving in June, a discussion was held around minimizing the board back to seven members. Upcoming board meetings will be held in March, where the board will vote on fingerprinting staff members, and surrounding legislation. May will be an annual training meeting. And the summer reading kickoff will be held on June 10th.

Next meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 6, 2024, from 6:00 to 7:30 at the Park Community Center. Volunteer hours reported and meeting adjourned at 7:06 pm.

Draft of minutes compiled by Annie Griffiths January 6, 2024.

Annie Griffiths 03/12/24