



DODGE CITY PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
Board Meeting Minutes –
June 8, 2021
Lower Level Meeting Room

Board Members present: Beth Love, Michelle Reid, Pete Myers, Paula Ripple (on Zoom), Nancy Vierthaler, Debbie Eddy (on Zoom), Blanca Soto (City Commission Representative), and Hailey Zimmerman (on Zoom)

Board Members absent: none

Others present: DCPL Director Lori Juhlin, DCPL Assistant Director Kyra Hahn

Call to Order: The monthly meeting of the Dodge City Public Library Board was called to order at 3:57pm by Beth Love, Vice Chair

The Agenda of the meeting was approved by motion of Michelle Reid, and seconded by Blanca Soto, motion carried unanimously

Public Comment: None

Other Presentations, Reports or Announcements:

Consent Calendar [Are there any questions or comments before approval?]

- Approval of May 2021 Bills
- Approval of April 27, 2021 Minutes
 - Michelle Reid motioned to approve the consent calendar, Nancy Vierthaler seconded, motion carried unanimously

Director's Report:

- Lori reviewed the directors report, noting that additional computers and seating would be happening in mid-June, and that Summer Library Program and outreach activities were going well. Several Board members asked about vaccination rates among staff and mask wearing for those not vaccinated. Lori noted that at the current time a little over half the staff are vaccinated and mask wearing is optional. Should a staff member fall ill, they



would be recommended to test, and that they would be required to use their leave rather than have it covered by the library as had been required previously.

New Business:

- Service Hours and Holidays Policy Revision: Lori noted that in discussion with staff and prior mentions from the Board suggested the library change its operating hours to have a more standard end time on weekdays. Also suggested were a few minor revisions to the holiday schedule to come more in line with what the city does. Nancy Vierthaler made a motion to adopt a 9am-7pm Monday through Friday and 9am-5pm on Saturday operating hours as well as the modifications presented to the holiday schedule. Pete Myers seconded, and motion carried unanimously. The Board noted they appreciated the changes to be more standard.
- Leave Policy Discussion: Board members discussed the information Lori had gathered from both the city and other libraries in Kansas, and felt that changes were needed, but final decisions would be made upon adoption of a new personnel policy later this summer/fall.
- Beth moved to have the Board enter Executive Session to discuss matters related to personnel for 20 minutes, Michelle Reid seconded and motion carried unanimously. At the end of 20 minutes, the Board came out of Executive Session and Blanca Soto moved to return to Executive Session for 5 minutes to discuss matters related to personnel, Pete Myers seconded, and motion carried unanimously. At the conclusion of 5 minutes, the Board came out of Executive Session, and Michelle Reid moved to return to Executive Session for a period of 5 minutes to discuss matters related to personnel, Nancy Vierthaler seconded and motion carried unanimously. At the conclusion of 5 minutes the Board returned to open session.

Beth Love moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:15pmpm, Nancy Vierthaler seconded it. Motion carried unanimously.

Next DCPL Board Meeting: Tuesday, June 22, 2021

Approved (Date) _____ Board Chair _____ DCPL Director _____