



Nederland Community Library District Board of Trustees Meeting Minutes

June 24, 2020

The meeting was called to order at 7:06 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Annie Thayer, Lisa Ryder, Scarlett Ponton de Dutton, Rick Rudstrom, Benjamin Teitelbaum

Library Director: Elektra Greer

Absent: Russ Paneton, Karen Fletcher

PUBLIC COMMENT

NEW BUSINESS

- Presentation by staff members (Mike and Charlie) on our #NedSpeaks, #NedThinks and Songs from the Stacks programming
- Presentation by Jim McVey of Victory Gardens regarding a potential partnership with the library for creating a sustainable, local community garden on part of our East property (Victory Gardens is located on Third Street behind the library.)

MINUTES

RR motioned to approve the minutes from May 27, 2020 meeting. RR motioned, SPD seconded. Five in favor, none opposed.

REPORTS

Treasurer

- As of May 31, 2020 checking/savings totaled \$455,438, of which we had \$48,867 in Checking, \$244,180 in Savings, \$82,390 in our Reserve Fund, \$50,000 in land development fund, and \$30,000 in our long-term maintenance fund.
- May 2020 total income was \$43,291 of which \$41,914 was from total Property Tax Revenue, and \$1,344 was from total Specific Ownership Tax.
- May 2020 expenses totaled \$22,656. Of that, expense categories exceeding \$1,000 were: \$2,874 for books and materials, \$1,065 for payroll taxes, and \$13,807 for wages.



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- Net income for May was \$20,635. Net income year to date was \$199,372.

Foundation Liaison

- New Pavers have been installed!
- Donation Book drop-offs will be discontinued through August; District will look at it again in September.
- Online Bookshop is up and running! Check it out from their page on our website!

Director

- Curbside (derived from circulation numbers): No increase from last month ; 2100+ physical materials
- Appointment- only library usage: Has been flat this past month; no real increase (average about 12 per day).
- Downloadable materials: increasing slightly
- General Website traffic: our average is staying the same; about 1550 sessions and 2700 page views and majority of our traffic comes from FB.
- Fun fact: #NedSpeaks interview with Capt. McClaren was top viewed (new content) post/page (after homepage). I suspect Songs from Stacks will be next month's winner.
- Virtual programming/YouTube views: 513 views; Mike's Pete the Cat most popular, followed by Eric Stone and then Library PSA.
- There are likely a variety of reasons that our circulation numbers have not increased this past month, but I am a little bit surprised. We are looking to see if weekly door-to-door deliveries would be a viable option for the library.
- Received more State Grant money for materials (\$1,100) and applied for a small NEA grant in partnership with the Foundation.
- The Library's Courier system is beginning service this week.
- Summer Journaling Program saw an initial, exciting response, but numbers have flattened off. We will be doing more promoting this month.
- Songs from the Stacks: has arrived and looks promising.

NEW BUSINESS (Continued)

- Discussion on Board Advocacy of social justice and human rights issues
- NCL Gift Acceptance Policy and sign from Pioneer Inn to be part of local history collection



- Board was skeptical. Worried there may be better places in town to store and display
- Discussion of shifting some library resources to enable Door to Door library services delivery since it is not anticipated that the library will be able to expand its hours in the near future.
- Tiny Home on East property that can potentially be used for Artists in Residence, temporary staff needs, and possible Short-term rental income?
 - Decision from the board to pursue, form task force

OLD BUSINESS

- Library digital signage

ADJOURNMENT

RR moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:05.