

**LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD REGULAR SESSION  
ENUMCLAW LIBRARY BRANCH  
February 1, 2023, 6:00pm**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Elfers called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

In attendance was Board Chair Rich Elfers, Board Members Ann Anderson, Chris Beinke, Cynthia Sable and Dani Hamilton. KCLS Regional Manager David Wright and City Staff Liaison, Deputy City Clerk, Katy McKee.

**2. MOTION TO APPROVE 1/4/2023 MINUTES**

Beinke moved to approve the 1/4/2023 minutes. Sable seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

**3. CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR ELECTION**

Chair Elfers was nominated to continue serving as Chair for the Library Advisory Board. Board approved unanimously 5-0.

Vice Chair Beinke was nominated to continue serving as Vice Chair for the Library Advisory Board. Board approved unanimously 5-0.

**4. KCLS STATUS REPORT**

Wright provided information on all upcoming events happening at the Enumclaw Library.

Elfers inquired about the paper calendar, to which Wright noted there is no plan on reinstating the paper calendar.

Wright spoke briefly about increased hours and noted that this would likely happen in 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter. Sable provided additional information received during the recent Friends of the Library. Both Wright and Sable noted that there are minimum staffing requirements that must be met before hours can be expanded

**5. STORY WALK UPDATE**

Wright spoke about issues with display hinges on the Story Walk signs and noted that new hinges have been ordered. A solid installation date if forthcoming. He indicated the goal is to put them in the ground during the month of February.

Sable spoke about the Story Walk information she received from the Friends of the Library meeting. She discussed the costs of the books including laminating fees, to which Wright indicated should not be an issue as KCLS can laminate. Sable noted that there is also a concern regarding the costs of the books. Wright indicated that he would review the original notes regarding this project for ongoing costs.

**6. REVIEW OF GOALS FOR 2023**

**A. KCLS Booth at Street Fair/Sundays on Cole**

Sable spoke about the Friends of the Library support for this and indicated there is a canopy available if necessary. The Board believes this is a feasible way to reach the community

alongside volunteers from the Friends of the Library and possibly even the children's library. Sable and Wright will inquire about a discount to have a booth at the Enumclaw Farmer's Market and/or Sundays on Cole.

Hamilton spoke about the possibility of selling books during this event as well. Additionally, Elfers discussed the Enumclaw Historical Society and the potential sharing of information, pamphlets, or books on the history of Enumclaw and the surrounding areas.

### **B. Social Media Presence**

Hamilton provided an update on what has been done regarding sharing of events on various Facebook groups. She spoke about some comments from the community regarding concerns about drug use in and around the library.

Moving forward Hamilton indicated she is going to create an infographic with a link to the KCLS website to hopefully generate more traffic moving forward.

Beinke suggested posting information to the Suntop Farms Community group as well.

McKee noted that all events have been posted to the City of Enumclaw events calendar as well.

### **C. Senior Citizen Reading Program and Senior Pen Pals**

Sable spoke with the Senior Advisory Board support of possible programming with local seniors. She reviewed a few ideas the Senior Advisory Board proposed. The Library Advisory Board decided that the idea that is most likely to succeed and that is most in line with the purpose of this group would be a letter writing program.

The group discussed the letter writing program at length. The idea would be to have a drop box at the library where children can write a story, letter or draw a picture to be placed into the box. Every month, those items would be distributed to seniors at local assisted living facilities.

Beineke spoke about Expressions, an assisted living facility that is often overlooked.

Sable inquired about KCLS ability to supply construction paper and other supplies for this. Additionally, there was discussion regarding the possibility of this being a take-home project supported by the Children's Library. Wright noted that this is an option, but he believes it would be best to have the children complete the letters or artwork at the library.

Beineke spoke about the YMCA Youth Center in Enumclaw and asked the group about ways to draw teens and pre-teens in from this facility. He spoke about the importance of communicating to the community that the library is a safe space for kids of all ages. Wright noted he will speak with the librarians to see if there is an existing relationship between KCLS and YMCA.

Wright will also provide an update on the pamphlets regarding books on tape.

## **7. ADJOURNMENT**

Elfers made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Hamilton seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:01 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for March 1, 2023.