

NOTICE OF LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING 8/17/2022

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Meridian Library District was held at 7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, August 17, 2022. The meeting was held in person at the main library building located at 1326 W. Cherry Lane in the lobby and online with streaming available.

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Board Present: Megan Larsen, Chair; Jeff Kohler, Vice-Chair; Laura Knutson, Treasurer; Josh Cummings,

Trustee; Destinie Hart, Trustee

Staff Present: Nick Grove, Library Director; Audra Green, Interim Assistant Director; Kristi Haman,

Branch Manager; Travis Porter, Branch Manager

Guests: 258 in-person, 105 Online

MEETING AGENDA

- 1. Oath of Office: Destinie Hart and Josh Cummings read and signed the Oath of Office and are now Trustees.
- 2. **Public comments:** Individuals in person will be given three minutes to speak. Comments are not accepted via WebEx during the meeting. Comments may be submitted to the Board in writing. Written comments regarding an agenda item for a specific meeting date, must be received 24-hours in advance of the applicable meeting to allow for routing and board member review. Messages are shared with the full Board and included in the public record. https://www.mld.org/message-board-trustees
 - Larsen mentioned the Collection Development Policy process and how a patron can object to materials in the collection with a Request for Reconsideration form that is submitted to the Library Director. The Library Director Considers each request as a whole. Thoughtfully and deliberatively involving staff. The patron is notified of the decision in writing. If the patron does not agree they can then appeal the decision, at this point the Board will decide if the staff's decision is correct, and will inform the Library Director and the patron of the Board's decision.

Dissolution of a Library District must have a petition with 50 signatures of qualified electors residing in the district and be submitted to the Ada County Board of Commissioners. The library must have a petition of fifty citizens, and it must go through the Ada County Commissioners. Once the Ada County Commissioners receive the petition they will schedule a public hearing within 3-6 weeks. The Commissioners are required by law to notify the Board, and publish legal notice about the hearing twice. After the hearing, the Commissioners have up to 10 days to make an order regarding the petition based on the hearing and their determination that dissolving the district is in keeping with the declared public policy of the state of Idaho regarding public libraries. The public policy is found in Idaho code 33-2701.

The Board Meeting will be held in accordance with the Idaho Code Title 74, Chapter 3 201-208, Open Meetings Law. Any person needing special accommodations to participate in the above noticed meeting should contact the Library Director seven days prior to the meeting.

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If the Ada County Commissioners determine that dissolving the library district keeps with the state's public policy an election being held, and voters vote yes or no.

Prior to the meeting over 50 comments were submitted to the board through the form on the website. During the meeting speakers provided public comment.

- 3. **Consent Agenda**: Consent agenda items are considered to be routine and are acted on with one motion. There will be no separate discussion on these items unless a member of the library board requests an item to be removed from the Consent agenda for discussion. [ACTION ITEM]
 - a. Regular Meeting Minutes, July 20, 2022
 - b. Special Meeting Minutes, August 3, 2022
 - c. Special Meeting Minutes, August 4, 2022

Knutson made a MOTION to approve the Consent Agenda, Kohler seconded. All in favor, none opposed, MOTION carries.

- 4. **Presentation and Discussion of Amended FY22 and Proposed FY23 Budgets**: Grove showed slides and charts of the FY22 and FY23 Budgets and broke out and explained Revenue, Capital Projects, Personnel, Capital Outlay & Operations. Grove is restarting the process with an update to the 2021-2022, and 2022-2023 budgets to be ready to publish at the August 31st special meeting.
- Approval of Publication of Amended FY22 and Proposed FY23 Budgets [ACTION ITEM] Kohler made a MOTION to present the revised documents to approve publication at the August 31st meeting. Hart seconded. All in favor, none opposed. MOTION carries.
- 6. **Library Director Report**: in the process of filling some much-needed vacancies, the Finance Manager will begin late August. Some staff was promoted from 19 hours to 29 or 40 hours, and now we need more staff to fill those vacancies. Green is the Interim Assistant Director. Grove felt good about this budget instead of what was proposed before. Departmental reports are in the board packets.
- 7. **Approval July 2022 Financial Reports** [ACTION ITEM] Knutson made a MOTION to approve the list of bills and balance sheet and expenses, Kohler seconded. All in favor, none opposed. MOTION carries.
- 8. **Future Agenda Items** S. Branch proposal, Board training, restricting access for some books in the collection, Ocean Park timeline improvements, September, Travis Orchard Park presentation. Update on Tiny Library data usage, cost, etc.

MEETING ADJOURNED 9:40 P.M.

The next regular scheduled meeting is scheduled for 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, September 21, 2022.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED AND APPROVED

Nick Grove, Library Director

Megan Larsen) Board Chair

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