

Bellevue Library Board Minutes

November 18, 2014

Present:

Board: Judy Bailey, Chad Davis, Cris Dreher, Alice Lee, Loretta Lopez, Peter Maxim,
Barbara Spindel
KCLS: Kirsten Corning

President, Judy Bailey called the meeting to order at 5:03PM.

The minutes from October were approved as written.

All members with the exception of Peter Maxim, who arrived late, viewed the Open Public Meetings Act video and received training in compliance. Peter will go online and do the training which will be confirmed at the January 2015 meeting. By general consensus, it was agreed that our Board is in compliance with the act. There was discussion about the need to post a public agenda and whether posting a generalized agenda would be sufficient.

Judy and Barbara attended the KCLS Preliminary budget meeting at Bellevue Library on November 6th. This year there were no printed materials but the entire presentation was online for Board members to review.

Kirsten reported on the Newport Library Maker Weekend event that had 3700 attendees with 8 programs running simultaneously. It was a very successful event that took up the entire library and provided opportunities for children, teens and adults to participate in craft, do it yourself and technology programs. Kirsten hoped to be able to offer repeat programs, if not the whole weekend.

Judy discussed comment cards which are available in all branches for patrons. She brought one in to share in case other members of the Board were unaware of patron's ability to critique and commend KCLS services.

Chad asked about the KCLS sponsored Library Advisory Board Forum that took place on November 5th at Shoreline Library. None of the Board was able to attend and Debi was delayed in traffic and also didn't attend. Barbara offered to e-mail Jennifer Wiseman who presented the program to ask for a summary and information regarding what other Boards are doing. Of particular concern was our role vis à vis KCLS and the City of Bellevue.

Cris asked about partnerships between schools and the Library based on a conversation with a teacher who was unaware of the Bellevue Library's location. Kirsten discussed the many programs where the libraries partner with the schools as well as the partnerships with Eastside Pathways and Jubilee Reach over the summer to promote reading and prevent the summer "learning slide".

The meeting was adjourned at 6:17PM.

Respectfully Submitted,
Barbara Spindel

Next meeting: January 20, 2015
Bellevue Library 5PM