



OLATHE PUBLIC LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING
August 17, 2016

The regular August meeting of the Olathe Public Library Advisory Board was called to order at 4:01 p.m. by Chairman Tom Glinstra. Members present were John Andrade, Danny Buxie, Brad Cornell, John Ernst, Cate Neeley, Eirene Knott (Representative of the Olathe Public Library Foundation), Colette McGee (President of Friends of the Library) and Library Director Emily Baker. Absent was Ann Horner. Also attending were library employees Julie Clark, Leslie Ellsworth and Bob Miller.

There were no public comments.

1. READING OF MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

The minutes of the library advisory board meeting of July 20th were reviewed. John Ernst moved to approve the minutes of the July 20th meeting. Seconded by John Andrade and motion passed.

2. ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions or deletions to the agenda.

3. REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Julie Clark gave the treasurer's report. In July, \$1 million was transferred to the City of Olathe from library reserves as part of the purchase of the new Indian Creek building. This transfer cannot be capitalized because the City will carry the asset on its books, so our financial statements for 2016 will show this transfer as an unbudgeted expense. John Ernst moved to approve the treasurer's report. Seconded by Cate Neeley and motion passed.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

The July expenditures were reviewed. Brad Cornell moved to approve the July expenditures. Seconded by Cate Neeley and motion passed.

5. REPORT OF LIBRARY DIRECTOR

The monthly report was given by Library Director Emily Baker. Statistics for June show that in-house circulation increased 48.2% at the downtown location with an overall decrease of 28.7% over last year. The circulation of OPL items increased 44.8% for the downtown library with an overall decrease of 24.1%. The downtown gate count increased 36.3% with an overall decrease of 31.5%. Interlibrary loan borrowing decreased 32.0% and lending decreased 12.1%. The number of combined volunteer hours decreased 10.7% and the number of combined volunteers decreased 11.9%. The computer user sessions at downtown increased 14.2%. Website visits were down 17.4%.

Emily Baker continues to attend city council agenda review meetings (7/27, 8/3, 8/17), executive team meetings (7/22 and 7/27) and city council meeting (8/2). Ms. Baker and various staff members have been involved in numerous meetings concerning the temporary space. Ms. Baker

announced the grand opening of the Olathe Indian Creek Library will be held on September 2nd. The grand opening will include various activities and programs throughout the day with a ribbon cutting ceremony scheduled for 10:15 a.m. Rita Patterson, Community Relations Coordinator for the Olathe Public Library and Erin Vader, Assistant Director of Communications for the City of Olathe, have been working on publicizing the grand opening events.

Ms. Baker reported that August 17th was the last day for the Meet and Eat lunch program for kids. The ice cream truck visited the downtown library on July 26th to provide staff with a cool treat.

6. FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY REPORT

The Friends of the Library report was given by Colette McGee. The Friends of the Library raised \$2,584.86 at the last book sale located in the temporary teen space next to Zio's in Olathe. Ms. McGee reported that five Friends of the Library members attended the Olathe Back to School outreach event, sponsored by the Olathe Public Schools Foundation, on August 6th. Linda Schoonover and Amy Martin recognized the Friends of the Library with a plaque for their participation in the program.

7. OLATHE PUBLIC LIBRARY FOUNDATION BOARD REPORT

The Olathe Public Library Foundation Board Report was given by Eirene Knott. The annual dinner will be held on Saturday, October 1st. Matt Keenan, author of "Call Me Dad, Not Dude", will be the speaker. The Olathe Public Library Foundation Board will meet on August 17th to finalize the grants for the annual dinner.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Indian Creek Flood Temporary Facilities

Prior to the library advisory board meeting, library board members toured the temporary space for the Olathe Indian Creek Library. Carpet installation is scheduled to begin on August 18th and the space is on schedule to be completed for the September 2nd grand opening.

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Group 4 will have a final meeting with the LEAP committee on August 29th and will facilitate a work session with the library advisory board and city council on September 20th. Group 4 will make their final presentation to city council on September 20th. The city will then begin the search for an architectural firm.

Future Facility Planning/OPL Master Plan/LEAP

John Andrade, Tom Glinstra and Emily Baker went on a trip with city council members and city staff to visit various libraries in Colorado and California.

The first stop was Library 21c in Colorado Springs, CO. This library is located in an 88,000 square foot two story building that was previously an MCI call center. The upstairs featured an auditorium, maker space, gaming rooms, study rooms and computer lab. The downstairs included the library materials, café, and Friends store. Library 21c partners with a local cable station to produce library programs to be aired to the public. Library advisory board member John Andrade referred to this space as an "explosion of technology".

The second stop was Anythink Wright Farms in Thornton, CO. This is a 45,000 square foot building that includes a one acre park with outdoor seating and reading nooks and Explore Outdoors (a certified Nature Explore children's outdoor classroom). This building includes a teen area, computer lab with advanced software applications, a 7,000 square foot children's area, café,

beautiful fireplace with comfortable seating, and a garage door that opens up to the one acre park. There is not a formal Friends space in this building.

The third stop was the Cerritos Library in Cerritos, CA. The Cerritos Library is known as the first “Experience Library” and focuses on themed spaces, high quality artwork, and inspirational architecture. The building was partially designed by Disney Imagineers. The children’s library includes a 15,000 gallon saltwater aquarium, a Tyrannosaurus rex fossil replica, a little theater, and much more.

The fourth stop was the Mitchell Park Center in Palo Alto, CA. This is a 56,000 square feet joint library and community center facility. The library is approximately 41,000 square feet housed in two stories. The building features various meeting spaces, Friends store, café, and a computer lab for both public and classroom use. Mitchell Park Center is certified LEED Platinum.

The fifth stop was the Walnut Creek Library in Walnut Creek, CA. This is a 42,000 square feet two story facility with underground parking. The library features an easy to access Friends store, café, high ceilings, and an abundance of natural light and exceptional public art.

The sixth stop was the Exploratorium in downtown San Francisco. This facility is a hands on museum of science, art and human perception that provides a vast collection of online experiences that feed one’s curiosity.

The final stop was BeSpoke, a trifecta of co-working, demonstration and event spaces, located in the heart of San Francisco.

Serving Residents Beyond Two Libraries

The lockers located in Olathe Fire Station 6 will be available beginning September 1st. Library customers can use the lockers between the hours of 7 a.m. and 8 p.m.

Goals for Board

Emily Baker and Tom Glinstra met with Ed Foley, Performance Analyst for the City of Olathe, to discuss performance measures for the library. Mr. Foley will do some research on performance measures across the country and report back to Emily Baker and Tom Glinstra around the beginning of October.

9. NEW BUSINESS

Monthly Library Advisory Board Meeting Time

Tom Glinstra would like to table this issue until the full board is present.

Questions from the Board

There were no questions from the board.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Tom Glinstra adjourned the meeting at 5:12 p.m.

Brad Cornell, Secretary