

Approved Lacey Library Board Minutes

October 17, 2024, 5:30 p.m.

(Live and Zoom meeting)

Present: Sharla Desy, Amy Blondin, Scott Robinson, James Murray, Pam Nelson, Avani Kumar, Youth Representative and Blake Bresnahan, Assistant Library Manager (and interim Library Manager). No one attended the meeting via Zoom.

Sharla Desy called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

The Agenda was approved as written.

The Minutes from the April 17, 2024, meeting were approved as written.

There was no public comment.

Library Manager's Report

Blake provided the library report. In August, Holly Paxson moved to the Timberland HR Department. Blake is acting as the interim manager while Timberland recruits and reviews resumes for a new library manager.

Through the departures of other staff members in September and October, there are 70 fewer hours available each week. Thirty of those hours have been reallocated to the mobile Anywhere Library

The Naselle Library has gone to an unstaffed model.

Circulation is growing for both Lacey and Hawks Prairie sites. Story time has been added to Hawks Prairie, but they are limited by space.

The Hawks Prairie location will eventually move to the Young Child and Family Center of Lacey at Marvin and Steilacoom Rd.

James asked about construction of the study rooms. Blake believes construction is planned for next fall. Sharla will research and bring the info to the next meeting.

Scott asked whether the City Council would be involved in the hiring process for the new manager. Blake explained that typically the hiring panel consists of other managers within the Timberland organization as well as staff members from the Lacey Library.

Next Meeting

We should have four or five meetings per year, so we need to schedule another meeting before the end of the year. Tentative date for the next meeting is November 13th, followed by a meeting on January 8th to elect Board Officers for 2025.

The meeting adjourned at 6:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Nelson

Approved on January 29, 2025