



**Wasatch County Library  
Library Board Meeting Minutes  
Friday, September 20, 2024**

Hybrid meeting: This electronic meeting is held via Zoom, with an in-person anchor location in the Board Room of Wasatch County Library.

**In attendance in person:** Cristina Spicer, Chair; Amber Koecher, Secretary; Juan Lee, Library Director.

**In attendance virtually:** Luke Searle, County Council.

**Excused:** Mitzi Nelson, Board Member-at-large; Angela Edwards, Library Assistant Director.

**1. Call to Order & Welcome:** 1:37 PM

**2. Public Comment:** No members of the public attended the meeting, and no comments were submitted electronically.

**3. Approval of Minutes**

- The **MOTION** to approve the Minutes of the regular Board meeting held on August 16, 2024, was tabled for the next meeting due to a lack of quorum since Luke did not participate in the August 16<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**4. Consent Agenda Items**

- **Library Director's Report.** Juan presented the Director's Report of Activities for August-September 2024.
- **Report of Year-to-date Expenditures:** Juan presented an updated report of expenses as of August 31, 2024.

**5. Business**

A. **ACTION:** Recommend to the County Manager's Office the selected candidate to fill the Library Board vacancy opened when Board member Danny Goode completed Ms. Heather Epperson's unexpired term of office in June 2024.

- **MOTION** to forward to the County Manager's Office the Board's recommendation to appoint Danny Goode to serve a first full-term position on the Wasatch County Library Board, made by Luke. Seconded by Amber. Motion carried.

B. **DISCUSSION:** Revise the library policy draft for public comments to include language guiding online participation. Cristina has reviewed the draft and made some edits. Juan will send the latest draft to the County Attorney's Office for review.

D. **DISCUSSION:** Library expansion and outside space transformation.

- The discussion centered around the community's growth and the library's strategic goal to be the destination where residents have easy access to local heritage content, family histories and contemporary family stories.
- If the Senior Center facilities became available, the library could expand its historical focus to include heritage preservation in collaboration with local organizations and individuals already involved in these efforts.

- In addition, the library can expand its services to offer additional classrooms and auditorium for broader community use until 8:00 PM.
- The Board also discussed transforming the west side lawn into a destination for relaxation and enjoyment. The area could include a walkable path, with stories along the path, picnic tables, and gazebos with solar panels to power charging stations for handheld devices. Maybe even outdoor bikes that produce electricity to charge phones by pedaling.
- The Board agreed that the outdoor transformation should be seen as dependent on the availability of the Senior Center facilities. If these will not be available, then the library may consider expanding into the west to provide additional needed spaces.
- The Board agreed that the west windows should be retained to continue offering beautiful views of the western mountains, storms, and sunsets.
- Cristina proposed creating an “Library Expansion Plan” that can be shared with County officials so they know the library’s vision for enhancing services for our communities.
  - Amber/Cristina will create a Google doc to document the Board’s expansion brainstorm.
- TO DO
  - Juan needs to get an update from Terry and Dave (Public Works) on the progress of the HVAC project.
  - Juan needs to get a document with the list of public libraries in Utah, their legal service areas, and current square footage.

E. **DISCUSSION:** United for Libraries Resources – How to leverage the subscription.

F. **UPDATE:** The Creativity Hub (aka Makerspace).

- Concrete floor is polished and sealed.
- Next is paint the walls and add the base boards.
- Then move the tables and computers back.

**6. Call for Agenda Items for Next Meeting – October 18, 2024, 1:30 PM**

- Update on the HVAC project (Juan)
- Update on Makerspace project (Juan)
- Conversation about Board meetings day and time
- Report on meeting with Public Works Director Terry Ekker (Juan)
- Continue conversation about Library expansion and outside space transformation

**MOTION to adjourn the meeting at 2:51 PM made by Amber. Seconded by Luke. Motion carried.**

Next meeting: Friday, October 18, 2024, 1:30 PM.