

STATE LIBRARY BOARD MEETING

Thursday, September 12, 2024

Virtual Meeting

State Library Board Attendees:

Josh Johnson, Chair; Rebekah Cummings; Marguerite Mower; Dan Mauchley; Shannon Thoman-Black

Utah State Library (USL) Staff:

Cara Rothman, State Librarian/Division Director; Lisa Nelson, Blind and Disabled Program Manager; Heidi Fendrick, State Data Coordinator; Amanda Rock, Administrative Assistant

Utah Department of Cultural & Community Engagement (CCE) Staff:

Katherine (Kat) Potter, Deputy Director

Welcome and roll call:

Josh welcomed the group and performed the roll call.

Board meeting minutes for June 13, 2024:

Dan motioned to approve the minutes; Rebekah seconded the motion. All board members voted in the affirmative.

USL update:

Cara has met with every USL employee. She is also planning on visiting every Utah library. So far, she has visited over a dozen libraries across Utah from Rich County to Wasatch County to Washington County, including two bookmobile headquarters.

She attended her first Western Council of State Libraries (WestCo) meeting and her first Utah Academic Library Consortium (UALC) meeting.

Dept. of Cultural & Community Engagement update:

Kat discussed CCE's four budget requests for the legislative session, including USL. The funding request for USL includes CLEF grant funding (which has not had an increase in over a decade), structural imbalances in library staffing, and funding for rural services.

Recertification updates:

Heidi presented the proposed language changes to Utah's public library's recertification. Dan moved to approve; Marguerite seconded the motion. All board members voted in favor.

The meeting adjourned at 10:47 am.