

EVERETT PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD
OF TRUSTEES MEETING

January 21, 2020

Board of Trustees: Deanna Dunkin Smith
Maureen Malley
Bob Bertoldi

Library Staff: Abigail Cooley
Mindy Van Wingen

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

CITIZEN'S COMMENTS

None.

APPROVE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 2019

Minutes were approved.

REVIEW EXPENDITURE REPORT

November 2019 expenditure report showed balances moving toward zero in 110 funds, which was the goal. 152 is similarly spent down. Most spending reflected EB expansion needs.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

There is a new format for the Director's Report to tie into the strategic plan.

City Council

The Council Retreat on January 11 was postponed to February 8.

Efficient and Effective

Highlight of the Humanities Washington Prime Time Grant, which has been awarded to EPL.

NEW BOARD MEMBER UPDATE

There has been a delay in recruiting new board member due to wanting to build a strong applicant pool. Bob and Abby will begin setting up interviews and forward recommendations to Mayor.

2020 CALENDAR EXCEPTIONS

Abby reviewed the 2020 calendar exceptions.

MOTION: Made, seconded and approved, proposed 2020 calendar exceptions.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

Deanna attended Denney Juvenile Justice talent show with librarian Jesse O'Dunne. She was impressed with Jesse's outreach work and library engagement with this youth program.

The State of the Library presentation to Council in December was well-received.

The Library is working with Osher Lifelong Learning Institute to collaborate on programs and increase senior programming, with emphasis on EB.

The Friends of the Library meeting to be held Jan. 22.

Reminder of upcoming library programs: Yangsze Choo 1/26, Tayari Jones 2/15, Phillip Margolin 3/14.

Board members are encouraged to let Abby know as far in advance as possible if they will not make a meeting. Arhiana will be on leave for a few months.

Bob attended the film “Just Mercy” based on the book and noted several themes with the upcoming Everett Reads program.

Board members who wish to see specific agenda items are encouraged to let Abby know and she will coordinate for staff presentations.

Maureen asked if the projector can be set up to share board meeting documents on screen during meetings.

ADJOURN

With a motion, second, and unanimous approval, the meeting was adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

Mindy Van Wingen, Assistant Director