

**Community Library Network
Board of Trustees Special Meeting
Tuesday 28 February 2023
Post Falls Library**

11:00 am – 5:00 pm

We Empower Discovery

Agenda

Call to order Meeting was called to order at 11:01 am

Roll call Trustees: Katie Blank, Regina McCrea, Judy Meyer (arrived at 11:05 am), Rachelle Ottosen, Vanessa Robinson
Staff: Lindsey Miller-Escarfuller, Janelle Sells
Guest: June Garcia

Executive session: (Idaho Code 74-206 (1)(a): To consider hiring a public officer, employee, staff member or individual agent, wherein the respective qualities of individuals are to be evaluated in order to fill a particular vacancy or need: action item *(180 minutes)*

McCrea moved to go into executive session per Idaho Code 74-206(1)(a) at 11:02 am

Blank – Aye

McCrea – Aye

Ottosen – Aye

Robinson – Aye

Miller-Escarfuller and Sells left the meeting at 11:30 am

McCrea moved to come out of executive session at 2:41 pm

Blank – Aye

McCrea – Aye

Meyer – Aye

Ottosen – Aye

Robinson – Aye

Break from 2:41 pm to 2:49

Miller-Escarfuller and Sells rejoined the meeting at 2:49 pm

Circulation Policy Discussion *(180 minutes)*

Mark Foster, Kari Wilson, and Karen Yother joined the meeting at 2:49 pm

- June Garcia asked what the concerns from the community that are addressed at meetings. Robinson noted that any sexually explicit material for children, some for ages 12 and under, and some for any minors under 18, and materials that reference same sex parents. McCrea stated that obscenity and pornography are not the same. She noted concerns that children should not have access that is beyond the children's section, sexually explicit content in the adolescent part of the library, and that the library is not protecting the innocence of children. Blank noted that anything related to the LGBTQ+ topics and demonology for anyone under the age of 18. Meyer said the gender fluidity is also a concern for minors. She also noted the role that parents have versus the library's role. Garcia asked if the staff have heard anything else. Miller-Escarfuller noted concerns about witchcraft and confusion about age appropriateness for minors. There is also confusion about materials not owned by the

district and materials found in the adult section. Ottosen asked to add pedophilia and incest to the list of concerns.

- Garcia reviewed policy process, framework for policy discussion, and the purpose of policies. She discussed policy definitions. A policy statement describes the policy from the customer point of view. Procedure is for how staff to implement policy. Guidelines are best practices for staff. Policies should be short statements.
- Garcia provided a list of questions for the Board and staff to answer. Discussion was held for each question.
- Options presented include a child card for ages 0 to 12, a young adult card for ages 13 to 17 or ages 13 to 15, and an open access card. Any option would require the parent/guardian to select the level of access. The Young Adult collection would be modified if the young adult card age range is reduced to 13 to 15.
- Meyer requested Garcia to develop a draft policy for the Board to review at the March regular meeting.

Robinson moved to extend the meeting to 5:20 pm
M, C – Robinson

Ottosen asked about the future meetings at smaller libraries and holding meetings with a large public turnout. Post Falls has the largest meeting room in the district.

Adjournment: action item
McCrea moved to adjourn at 5:12 pm
M, C – McCrea

Respectfully submitted,
Lindsey Miller-Escarfuller, Janelle Sells

Calendar of events:

16 Mar 2023	Regular Meeting	2:00 – 5:00	Hayden
18 Apr 2023	Regular Meeting	9:00 – 12:00	Athol
18 May 2023	Regular Meeting	9:00 – 12:00	Rathdrum

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