

**LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD REGULAR SESSION
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
January 5, 2022, 6:00pm**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Elfers called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. He announced that all Board Members are present.

ATTENDANCE:

In Council Chambers: Board Chair Rich Elfers, Board Members Sandy Kananga and Chris Beinke, and City Staff Liaison Jessica Rose.

Via Microsoft Teams videoconferencing: Board Member Ann Anderson, KCLS Staff Steven Bailey, and Community Member John Knowlton

2. MOTION TO APPROVE 12/2/21 MINUTES:

Kananga moved to approve the 12/2/21 minutes. Beinke seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

3. LIBRARY STATUS:

Bailey gave a quick update on the library. The library did close temporarily last week due to the weather. Starting on February 27th, the Enumclaw branch will increase their operation hours to 5 days a week. They will open on Monday 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.; Tuesday – Wednesday 1:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.; Thursday – Friday 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.; Sundays closed. Programs are still only available online at this time.

Public Health is working with KCLS to help distribute free Covid test kits to the community. Last month, the Enumclaw branch was given around 300 tests, which were set out in the lobby. All tests were taken within a few hours. More test kits will be supplied to the Enumclaw Branch, but it is undetermined as to when that will take place. A discussion followed on how to let the community know about this program and when more tests are available.

4. OUTREACH TO THE UNDERSERVED:

Bailey had provided several flyers and brochures for the Board to review that advertises the different online programs that the library are currently offering. Some of these programs include:

- Online Story Time that is catered to ages that are preschool and younger.
- Study Zone that provides online tutoring that are for 1st grade – 12th grade, and some college.
- WA State Talking Book and Braille Library for those who have low vision or a learning disability. Those who need these services can apply to be part of the program for free. The application would have to be seconded either by a medical professional or a librarian. Audio and Braille books will be mailed to participants and then returned.

A discussion took place on how to distribute the brochures. Each board member will research the following potential places to provide brochures:

- Daycares and Preschools
- Places that have waiting areas, such as car repair shops, hair salons, laundromats, etc.
- Assisted Living and Rehab Centers

- Senior Center
- Coffee shops
- Optometrists, dental offices, or clinics

5. OTHERS?

Bailey gave an update on the progress of the Story Walk project. He has reached out to the Enumclaw High School to see if they can assist in designing and building the frames. A letter will also be sent to the Enumclaw Chamber of Commerce to see if there are any other businesses that may be able to assist if needed.

6. ADJOURNMENT:

Beinke made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Kanaga seconded. Motion passed 4-0.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:52 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for February 2, at 6:00 p.m.