

## Minutes of the Enumclaw Library Board Meeting (Virtual meeting)

Wednesday, February 3, 2021

Present: Richard Elfers, John Knowlton, Sandy Kanaga, Ann Armstrong, and Steven Bailey (KCLS). Absent: Mike Thompson and Carla Hopkins

Minutes: The Board met via zoom for a brief meeting. A motion by John Knowlton to approve the minutes of the January 6, 2021 meeting was seconded by Anne Armstrong. Motion passed unanimously.

### LAB goals: Computer purchase:

Steven Bailey reported that he consulted with KCLS IT Department about the feasibility of this project. Based on their experience, IT recommended the best choice and price point was “Think Pad” laptops. The current best cost was approximately \$525 (with a WiFi card installed the total cost would be approximately \$1,000).

Rich Elfers consulted with Plateau Outreach Ministry (POM) about the purchase of three computers for use by their clients. POM expressed concerns that the computers would not be returned, and did not want the liability for that possibility.

LAB members expressed concerns about purchase price, liability, return rate, maintenance and upkeep and general management by library personnel. John Knowlton moved to shelve this project for the time being until these issues of concern have been resolved. Sandy Kanaga seconded, motion carried unanimously.

Rich continued to express concern that if LAB does not spend about \$1500 of the LaFromboise money on a yearly basis, LAB would lose access to the funds. Rich requested that Steven investigate possible uses for the funds for the 2020 year and report back. In addition, John Knowlton suggested working with the Enumclaw Chamber of Commerce about outreach ideas. Rich, John and Steven volunteered to meet with the Chamber (zoom).

Re-open KCLS: Steven Bailey reported that KCLS is monitoring the various published “stages” of the COVID pandemic and will be communicating with the public about opening dates – Steven thinks it may be mid-March or April. The physical plants of each of the 39 libraries in the KCLS consortium are nearly ready for the public, i.e., appropriate spacing of tables, chairs, computers, etc. Other restrictions will also apply, for example, there will be a limit on how long patrons can stay in the building.

Census: Information about the latest census of library use in the Enumclaw area is postponed until the next meeting.

LAB Board Goals: The Board agreed that long and short-term goals will be put on hold until some semblance of normality returns.

This virtual meeting closed at 6:24pm. The next scheduled meeting will be Wednesday, March 3 at 6pm.