

Minutes of the Enumclaw Library Board Meeting

August 7, 2019

Present: Richard Elfers, Judy Prenovost, John Knowlton, Sandy Kanaga and PhilisAnn Bodle

Guest: Tandra Solvey, Enumclaw Library Teen Services Librarian

Minutes: Minutes from the July 3 meeting were approved with one spelling correction.

Report: Tandra Solvey brought the Advisory Board up to date about her Community Connections project, which was funded by the LaFromboise endowment allocated to the library early in 2019. The first part of the project included a survey in which individuals, groups and/or businesses in Enumclaw were invited to share ideas for a chance to become a 2019 Community Creator. Winning submissions partnered with the library to sponsor and develop a program that was brought to the community.

One of the winners was Escuela de la Vida – School of Life – that aims to make community resources more accessible for the Plateau’s Latinx community, and to bring the white and Latinx communities closer through cultural events. The Escuela will be hosting Sea Mar Colectiva Legal de Pueblo (People’s Legal Collective) on August 17 as they offer a resource fair highlighting information about health and legal education.

Rich Elfers asked if Tandra will have proposals for funds from the LaFromboise endowment for 2020 ready for the Enumclaw City Council Community Services Committee by the September deadline. Tandra replied that two proposals are already drafted and will be submitted to LAB shortly.

Library Safety: Philis will arrange a meeting between the City Council members and the staff of KCLS regarding the recent Public Safety Committee survey which indicated that some people do not feel safe at the library. Rich requested that members of the Library Advisory Board be included in the meeting. He suggested that the meeting take place after results of the Public Safety Committee survey are analyzed.

KCLS survey: Coincidentally, King County Library System is conducting an online survey regarding public satisfaction regarding services offered by KCLS. Rich and Philis encouraged all board members to take part in the survey.

New Board Member: Rich reported that one person is interested in serving on the Library Advisory Board, however, only two of the five members of the board can be from outside the city limits, and that quota has been filled.

Washington Humanities: Philis reported that action on this project will start after the school year begins.

The meeting adjourned at 6:45pm. The next Library Board meeting will be Wednesday, September 4, at 6pm at the library.