

Burlington Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting

June 2, 2020

Meeting minutes

In attendance via telephone: Sarah Ward, Cindy Lint, Maria Magana, Carol Doyle, Janice Burwash

Approval of minutes from the May meeting: Carol moved, Maria seconded, motion passed.

Communications:

- The library has been closed since March 16, and operating digitally since then. Staff continue to work from home.
- Staff assisted Burlington Planning Department with writing a multi-million dollar railway overpass grant, which was submitted in May.
- Twenty-three teens have engaged with BPL through virtual programs since the closure, reinforcing that library service through human interaction is essential.
- Summer reading is a go.
- Financials: there is a spending and hiring freeze, only pre-obligated costs are being paid.

Unfinished Business:

- No weeds and discards for this month.
- Approval of bills for May: Cindy moved, Carol seconded. Motion passed.

New Business:

- Budget cuts: Sarah was asked to trim \$100,000 from the budget. So far, she has found \$85,000. All travel, new materials, and trainings have been cut.
- Future of library services: At a recent city council meeting, it was revealed that absent revenue enhancement, library and recreational services would need to be cut. There is talk of adding a B & O tax on businesses grossing over \$2 million.
- Governor Inslee has just approved moving to curbside service, and this is being set up.

Submitted by Cindy Lint

Next meeting July 7, 6:00 PM