

**Centralia Public Library  
Meeting Minutes  
August 12th, 2021**

**Trustees Present:** Linda Luke, Catherine Simmons, Amber Brown, Melissa Maxwell, Katherine Butrum, Alan Baca, Jeffrey Birch, Larry Dorman

**Trustees Absent:** Angie Taylor

**Others in Attendance:** Director Amy Hopkins

Vice President Luke called the meeting to order at 6:15 p.m.

**Public Comments:** None.

**City Information Report:** None.

**Minutes:** Trustee Dorman made a motion to approve July minutes and Trustee Simmons seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report:** The July Treasurer's report was reviewed and discussed. Trustee Simmons made a motion to approve the July Treasurer's report and Trustee Baca seconded. All in favor, motion carried.

**New Business:**

- A. Trustee Birch put in his resignation due to conflict of interest with a newly hired library employee.
- B. New Board of Trustees Officers were discussed. Trustee Alan Baca was voted into the position of Library Board of Trustees President. Trustee Larry Dorman was re-appointed to the office of Board of Trustees Treasurer. The officer positions of Vice President and Secretary were tabled until the next board meeting September 9th.

**Old Business:**

A. The parking lot project has begun with the City grading the land where the rock will go. The board also discussed questions about bids.

**Director's Report:** Director Hopkins reported on a successful Summer Reading Program. 333 sign-ups with 1,400 books read and 50% completion rate.

Director Hopkins reported that she was completing the 2021 Library Survey that enables the library to participate in State Aid and LSTA grants.

The CARES Act grant final report was extended until August 31st

Director Hopkins reported that due to the State Auditor adjusting our tax rate, revenues will be slightly lower than last year.

The library will be offering another Fall Clothing Swap September 30th & October 1st. This has been a very successful library program.

Director Hopkins intends to apply for the 2021 Technology Mini-grant. She would intend to use funds to purchase a new laptop to replace an outdated model from 2013. The library could also use the awarded funds to purchase a “self-service” printing station to patrons to print from mobile devices and to purchase an additional set of Hotspot devices from T-Mobile with data plans for another 12 months.

The 2022 Summer Reading Program theme will be Oceans of Possibilities. Director Hopkins is still deciding whether or not to apply for the LSTA Summer Reading Grant.

**President’s Report:** None

**As May Arise:** Luanne Yarnell will present Audit results for FY20-21 at the next Board of Trustees Meeting September 9th.

Trustee Simmons motioned to adjourn the meeting; Trustee Birch seconded the motion. All in favor, motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:07 p.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on September 9th, 2021 at 6:15 p.m. at the Centralia Public Library.

Respectfully submitted,

Katherine Butrum  
Secretary