



**Campbell County Public Library System**

Terri Lesley, Director

Board Minutes  
October 24, 2022

**Board Members**

**Present:** Charlie Anderson, Sage Bear, Chelsie Collier, Darcie Lyon, and Charles Butler

**Board Members**

**Absent:**

**Library Staff**

**Present:** Terri Lesley, Larissa Stalcup, and Irene Moore

Sage called the meeting to order at 4pm at the Campbell County Public Library Wyoming Room.

The following consent agenda items were presented to the library board:

1. Minutes – September 26
2. Financial reports – September
3. Voucher register (2) – October 20, October 24
4. Expenditure report - September

Chuck made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Chelsie seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Board member training is scheduled for December 13 and 14 at Gillette College. Invitations are forthcoming.

American Library Association was discussed at the end of Unfinished Business. Members of the public spoke about the pros and cons of the American Library Association. Thirty-five people provided comments. After discussion, Chuck made a motion stating the Campbell County Public Library (CCPL) will no longer have any association with, nor be associated with, the American Library Association (ALA), its affiliate organizations, subdivisions, or subsidiaries thereof. No CCPL Public funding will be used for any membership, training, informational services, or events sponsored by the aforementioned groups or any group associated with them. CCPL policies will be adjusted to reflect the same. Chelsie seconded the motion. After discussion regarding associated policies, Charlie motioned to table the item. Motion failed. The board voted on the original motion: Sage—Aye. Chuck—Aye. Chelsie—Aye. Darcie—Aye. Charlie—Nay. Motion carried.

Terri reviewed the library flooding and closure report.

Terri reported that work on the roof replacement project is complete for now. More roofing material will be received later this year. The project will resume in the spring as weather allows.

Board members reviewed a proposed change to the library mission statement to add the verbiage “while upholding community standards.” Chelsie proposed changing “upholding” to “reflecting.” Sage read the proposed statement:

Our mission is to provide diverse cultural opportunities while reflecting community standards. We strive to provide diverse cultural opportunities for reading, learning, and entertainment to all citizens of our community. We lead the way to a universe of information with personal service and technology.

Charlie moved to remove the mission statement from the table for discussion. Chuck seconded. Motion carried. Charlie spoke in opposition to the change, citing First Amendment concerns, the consistency of the current mission to the County’s July 27, 2021 statement on tolerance and antidiscrimination, and the City of Gillette’s December 2016 resolution promoting a diverse community and being against LGBTQ and other types of discrimination. He also said the attorneys were concerned about the wisdom of the change. Sage spoke in support of the proposed mission statement, stating the board relies heavily on the librarians who

choose the books, and she wants them to think about what books come into our community. Chuck agreed, stating that the librarians are stewarding what comes into our conservative community and are voicing the opinion of our community. Chuck made a motion to adopt the mission statement as amended. Chelsie seconded the motion. Sage—Aye. Chuck—Aye. Chelsie—Aye. Charlie—Nay. Darcie—Nay. Motion carried.

As a follow-up to the last meeting, Sage stated that she and Chelsie will be on the Special Committee. She had asked Charlie to be on the committee, but he declined. The committee will work on a rating system that will give patrons the chance to rate books.

Regarding a new child policy, Terri provided a document comparing existing protocols to Sage's proposed policy, and Darcie compiled and provided policy statement choices for children and teens. Discussion points included: 1) the age of children in the teen room, 7<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade vs 9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade; 2) when parental supervision is required, up to 3<sup>rd</sup> grade or up to 6<sup>th</sup> grade; and 3) posting signs to notify patrons that children have access to all collections.

The board reviewed the policy statements provided by Darcie. After discussion, the consensus was to allow 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade patrons in the teen room if signs are posted that children have access to all collections. Charlie motioned to table the section of the proposed Child Policy that has to do with children 12 years and younger so the policy can be advertised to allow public review of the new proposed language. Chelsie seconded the motion. Motion carried. Chelsie motioned to approve the Teen Room portion of the child policy, Option 1. Darcie seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Terri presented information on LibraryCalendar, a web-based software product for patrons and staff. Chuck moved to approve the contract for an implementation fee of \$2,000 and an annual subscription fee of \$2,000 for a total of \$4,000. Charlie seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Library credit cards. Charlie motioned to table the discussion for the library credit cards until the November board meeting.

Terri reviewed the director's report.

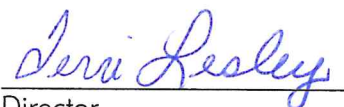
20 people provided public comment.

1 library board member provided a board comment.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:43pm.

Next Meeting: Monday, November 21, 2022, 4pm, Campbell County Public Library Wyoming Room

  
Board Chair

  
Director