

**Minutes of the South Sioux City Public Library Advisory Board  
Meeting on July 1, 2020**

A meeting of the SSC Library Advisory Board was held on July 1, 2020. The meeting was called to order at 5:31 by board president Helen Sorensen, who stated that a copy of the Open Meetings Act is posted on the north wall of the meeting room and is available for review by all in attendance. Present were board members Sally Reinert, Jan Jonhansen, Ardel Bengtson, Vicki Hirschert, Ian LaVie, Helen Sorensen, Mary Macomber, and library director Cicely Douglas.

**Reading of the minutes of the June meeting:** Jan moved to approve. Ian seconded. Minutes were approved.

**Correspondence and communication:** Cicely reported that there were 10 applicants for the part time library associate position.

**Librarian Report:** Cicely will report June statistics at our August meeting. Jan stated that he would prefer stats in a different format. Cicely will consider this.

**Standing Committee Reports:** none

**Special Committee Reports:** none

**Old Business:**

1. Website: Ian presented material concerning how our website was NOT user friendly compared to other library websites. Cicely & Ian will continue to work on developing our own library website, separate from the city website. They hope to have it ready by January, 2021. Information concerning this website will be posted in the Star.

2. The agreement with the Sioux City Symphony will extend through June, 2020. It contains such items as free tickets to symphony performances and possible performances at the SSC Library.

3. Election of officers: Ardel made a motion to reelect Helen Sorensen as President & Mary Macomber as Secretary. Sally seconded. Motion approved.

**New Business:**

1. Library Projects: We are pursuing a grant for two technology centers, one for adults & one for teens. Funds from adult programming will be used for a prairie garden on library property.

2. Vision Statement: Cicely asked if we have a vision statement? A vision statement may help when applying for grants. A vision statement explains where we are going and where we want to be. Cicely will send examples of vision statements for the board to examine before determining whether we need one for the SSC board. If needed, a committee would be put together to form a vision statement.

3. Cicely stated that she felt it was important for part time staff to attend conferences or training as well as full time staff. She will check about money for staff training in the budget.

4. Cicely reported that the staff had been doing many projects around the library during the Covid 19 shutdown. Christian (part time employee) is doing a mural for the teen area.

**Other Business:** none

Meeting was adjourned at 6:37 pm.

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President.

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Secretary