

Moorhead Public Library Board Meeting  
September 8, 2020

Present: Douglas Greenley, Kristi Carlson, Shelly Carlson, Chizuko Shastri, Linda Anderson, Samantha Gust

Absent: Robert Anderson Neely Benton, Kim Melton

There were enough board members present to have a quorum. Linda Anderson, President, conducted the meeting.

**Approval of Agenda**

Shelly moved to approve the agenda to include a discussion on updating the nomination and voting process for 2021 board positions due to virtual nature of meeting. Douglas seconded. Motion passed.

**Approval of Minutes from May, 2020 Meeting**

Shelly moved to approve minutes. Kristi Carlson seconded. Motion passed.

**LARL Board Update – LARL Members**

Chizuko discussed May 21, 2020 LARL Board Meeting.

**City Council Report – Council Liaison**

Discussion is currently underway regarding the butterfly/Monarch problem caused by mosquito spraying.

The SE Main Ave/20<sup>th</sup> St/21st St underpass is 70% completed.

Greater Moorhead Days will be starting soon. Keep a lookout for ways to get involved.

The community is always looking for election judges. Contact Shelly Carlson for more information about volunteering. Douglas shared about his experience as an election judge.

Megan will be presenting to the council on September 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Director's Report**

Director's report was shared with the board prior to the meeting.

Services are mostly back to normal (minus in-person events and meeting room use). Having discussions on how to provide space for students needing a place for education.

Chizuko inquired about location for outdoor book sale. Weather permitting, it will take place in front of building. If raining, it will be held in the garage.

**Nominations for 2021 Positions**

Shelly suggested options to ensure anonymity voting.

Robert Anderson (At-Large) and Samantha Gust (Ward 3) current terms will expire at the end of this year. Samantha would like to extend her position for another term.

It was asked if it is a conflict of interest to serve on the board if a partner is running for city office. Megan stated it would not go against the Library's by-laws. Shelly will check with the city.

Chizuko nominated the current officers to serve as next year's officers.

Linda accepts (so long as there is not a conflict of interest), Samantha accepts, Douglas accepts.

Megan will send an email prior to the November meeting to vote for officer positions.

**Other Business**

Chizuko stated that Moorhead Library is doing a great job at being safe during COVID— hand sanitizer available, masks required, limited guests, no loitering - guests feel safe.

Meetings will continue to be held virtually throughout the year.

**The meeting was adjourned at 6:08 pm**

The next board meeting is scheduled for November 10, 2020