

SUBURBAN LIBRARY COOPERATIVE

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COUNCIL MINUTES

Suburban Library Cooperative

November 4, 2021

- I. The meeting was called to order by Turgeon at 9:30 a.m. at the Suburban Library Cooperative.
 - Present: Smith (Armada), Johnson (Center Line) calling in from Center Line, Madson (Chesterfield), Neal (Clinton-Macomb), Todd (Eastpointe), McDowell (Fraser), Valyi-Hax (Harper Woods), Bogaert (Lenox), Kammer (Lois Wagner), Parij (MacDonald) calling in from Warren, Lopiccolo (Romeo), Harvey (Roseville), Ester (Shelby) calling in from Shelby Twp., Orlando (St. Clair Shores), Turgeon (Sterling Heights/SLC), Francis (Utica) and Frezza, Linsday (SLC).
 - Absent: Goins (Harrison Twp.), Bowman (Mount Clemens), DeMeulenaere (Ray), Dumas (Troy) and Urban (Warren).
- II. Approval of the Agenda.

Valyi-Hax made a motion to approve the agenda, supported by Lopiccolo. Motion Carried.
- III. Approval of the Minutes.

Bogaert made a motion to approve the September 9, 2021 minutes, supported by Valyi-Hax. Motion Carried.
- IV. Suburban Library Cooperative Business
 - A. Automation System

Comcast internet has been upgraded to 300 mb in all of the shared system libraries.
 1. OverDrive Magazines in eResource Central

Valyi-Hax made a motion to not purchase the connector to display OverDrive magazines in the SirsiDynix Enterprise catalog. The motion was supported by Harvey. Motion Carried.
- B. SLC Holidays

The directors discussed whether to include Juneteenth with next year's SLC Holidays, but because it falls on a Sunday next year, they decided not to change the list of SLC Holidays at this time. Lopiccolo made a motion to recommend the 2022 SLC Holidays as presented to the Suburban Library Cooperative Board. The motion was supported by Kammer. Motion Carried.
- C. Delivery Holidays

Lopiccolo made a motion to recommend the 2022 Delivery Holidays as presented to the Suburban Library Cooperative Board. The motion was supported by Valyi-Hax. Motion Carried.
- D. Standards and Policies
 1. Pandemic Limits Review

The directors discussed and voted on each of the three items individually.

Overdue Threshold – Lopiccolo made a motion to change the Overdue Threshold from 25 items or more to 10 items or more. The motion was supported by Madson. Motion Carried

Bill Theshold – Valyi-Hax made a motion to change the Bill Threshold from \$20 or over to \$10 or over. The motion was supported by Smith. Motion Carried. Lopiccolo voted no.

Hold Shelf – Valyi-Hax made a motion to change the Hold Shelf from 10 days to 7 days. The motion was supported by Harvey. Motion Carried.
 2. Non-Compliance Holds

McDowell made a motion to change the wording on the current SLC policy to say that “Books, AudioBooks, CDs, DVDs and Magazines” will be holdable by all PUBLIC and STAFF Cardholders if the item circulates for more than 7 days and was acquired by the library more than 1 year ago. Everything else will be up to discretion of the library. The motion was supported by Smith. Motion Carried.
 3. SLC-TEMP Cards

Valyi-Hax made a motion to continue to not charge fines on the TEMP-SLC cards and just consider it the cost of doing business to create good will with new library patrons. The motion was supported by Lopiccolo. Motion Carried.

4. Barring Patrons

Lopiccolo made a motion to include the wording "Libraries may not bar family members of the patron being barred if the patron is from another library" to the current SLC policy regarding the barring of library patrons. The motion was supported by Madson. Motion Carried.

V. Announcements and Information

A. Advocacy – Everyone

The MLA Annual Conference went well, YouTube access to some of the sessions will be available in the next week or so. Next year's conference will be in Port Huron and will be in-person. MLA is hosting an MLA Connect Advocacy Hour program in November and December. The Michigan Legislature is looking at legislation that will affect penal fines for libraries and the Open Meetings Act in regards to library board meetings.

VI. Member Libraries' Announcements/Concerns:

SLC: Tammy received information from our auditor about MiClass, that has to do with investment options for government entities. Tammy will contact the company to see if they would be available for the December Council Meeting.

ARM: Started doing in-person story times again, the children are excited to be back in the library. Armada Schools is now part of the Virtual Library Card program.

CHE: Received a 2-million-dollar donation from a deceased patron's trust. Will be updating the investment policy.

CMM: The grand opening of the new North Branch Library went well. Approximately 500 attended. Has anyone had issues regarding challenged books?

EPL: Milage renewal passed. Circulation numbers have been increasing. Trying to hire more staff.

FRA: Had three library board members up for election, two were re-elected, and will have one member from the write-in vote. The city is moving forward with the transfer of ownership of the library. Hired a new bookkeeper. Marketing person resigned. Had over 1,000 attend Trunk or Treat program.

HPW: Will be posting for youth librarian position.

LEN: Started back to in-person programming. Programming numbers were up for October.

LWM: The library is fully staffed. Will be having a bakesale as part of the Christmas programming. Is anyone considering going fine-free in the immediate future?

ROG: Outreach van has started visiting/delivering materials to schools. Will be having a Storywalk in shop windows of downtown Romeo.

RSV: Looking for attorney, may be interested in separating from the city.

SCS: Hired new museum curator.

UPL: Hired new staff. Starting more in-person programming. Looking into some library renovations.

VII. Public Participation

None

VIII. Adjournment

Madson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:00 a.m., supported by Bogaert. Meeting Adjourned.

IX. Next meeting date

The next meeting will be December 9, 2021 at 9:30 a.m. at the Suburban Library Cooperative.