April 8, 2021 North Logan City Library Board Meeting Notes

Welcome: Lynette Taylor, Board Chair, welcomed all in attendance, which included Kate Petersen (via Zoom and scribe for this meeting); Linda Young, Treasurer; Charlotte Brennand, Board member and Liaison to the Friends of the Library; Steve Derrick; and James Britsch, Library Director.

James reported that the Friends of the Library have and donated a globe for the library; it should show up soon.

James is developing updates about library facts and goals to prepare for meeting with the North Logan City Council next year in order to be prepared to discuss needs related to budget and future plans.

A new library facility is in the works, and discussions are underway about funding. North Logan City Administrator, Alan Luce, has informed James about this.

As Library Director, James Britsch brings credentials including an undergraduate degree in English Literature from BYU, a master's degree in library science, and a second master's degree in public administration. He has served as Library Director at North Logan City Library since 2018 and has experience as a library director at New Mexico Junior College in Hobbs, NM. His experience managing budgets and applying for and administering grant funding is valuable to the North Logan Library.

Kate suggested that perhaps she or Lyndsay Peterson, President of the Friends of the Library, could convey the value of James' knowledge and experience to the City Council as part of the planning process for a new library.

Lynette Taylor, Board Chair, announced that copies of the new three-ring binder dividers and the updated Library Board bylaws and mission statement are available for board members to put into their handbooks. Those absent today or who attended via Zoom may pick up their copies at the library.

James announced that the new position as Events Coordinator and Technical Services Librarian, which he described and board members approved via email, has been posted with a goal to have a newly hired person begin work June 1, 2021. Important qualities are enthusiasm for "putting on a good show" with library events and a passion for and talents in using technology. James has established a team of library staff members to manage social media accounts with timely updates and advertising for library services and events. The new librarian will be closely involved with that effort. Kate Petersen recommended looking at the Hyrum, UT Public Library on Instagram as a positive role model.

James mentioned that the Library's collection of DVD's has higher circulation counts than books.

James handed out copies of the blueprint of the current library to initiate discussion about potential new areas for defined purposes within the current library building to meet needs in the interim until a new library is built.

Next meeting is planned for May 13, 2021 at 1:00pm.

[Added later: The May Library Board meeting was changed to a special date and time: Wed., May 19, 2021, 12:30pm for Board Meeting followed by two training sessions for public library board members offered as part of this year's virtual conference of the Utah Library Association (ULA). *Public Library Trustee Advocacy*, 1:00 - 2:00pm and *Strategic Planning*, 2:00-4:00pm.]