

City Centre Library Advisory Committee

Monday, April 10, 2017

River Heights Library

Attending: David Robinson, Laila Yesmin, Gerri Thorsteinson, Karen Mackintosh, Tamara Opar, Anastasia Baran, Kelsey Middleton, Wesley Takeo Konrad

Regrets: Kelly Johnston

| Item Name | Description | Action Item |
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| Call to Order | The meeting was called to order at 5:37 pm | |
| Agenda | <p>MOTION REQUIRED</p> <p>That the agenda be approved as distributed.</p> | David Robinson, Karen Mackintosh |
| Minutes | <p>MOTION REQUIRED</p> <p>Minutes of last meeting not available, to be addressed next LAC meeting.</p> | |
| Introduction for New Members and update from board on LAC and Budget | <p>The LAC roles and responsibilities were reviewed for new members. The LAC consists of 6 citizen members, 2 board representatives, and 1 Library representative.</p> <p>The LAC regulations were reviewed.</p> <p>Regulations include a minimum of 3 meetings/year. However, the City Centre LAC typically holds 4 meetings.</p> <p>Regulations include a minimum of 1 outreach event/year. However, the City Centre LAC typically does 2 outreach events.</p> | Laila Yesmin |
| Budget Overview | <p>The City Centre LAC has a \$250 budget. This differs from other LAC's as it is scaled with the number of libraries in the local area of the committee.</p> <p>Last year's budget was spent on books for prizes at various events.</p> | |
| LAC Citizen Member Vacancy | <p>We have one vacant citizen member position.</p> <p>Laila will check if someone can join mid-term, as there is some interest.</p> | |
| Distribution of Board and LAC contact info | <p>Board and LAC contact info was distributed and has also been emailed.</p> | |
| Update from Tamara on youth advisory committee (YAC) | <p>There are 10 YACs in the city, each with as many as 12 members. Meetings are held every 6 weeks at their branches.</p> | |

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| | <p>High school students can use YAC time as volunteer hours. They can also volunteer for different programs such as books to eat.</p> <p>Question raised: How can the LACs contribute the make the YACs more successful?</p> <p>Teen services coordinator and coordinator of children's services are looking for ideas for passive programs in the 5 branches of the city centre LAC.</p> <p>Some examples of passive programs are research using library resources or a quiz. A program that has been successful was shredding a book and placing it in a jar so people could guess which book it was. There is a summer reading program with contests for teens across all libraries. Ex. book review, photography contest, book spine poetry.</p> <p>Tamara will talk to the coordinators and see what kind of programs they're interested in.</p> <p>The LAC can support with additional ideas or the LAC budget can be used to support prizes such a books or McNally gift cards.</p> <p>Some options discussed: Check into teens having their own booth at Sherbrook street festival. Use budget towards YAC food budget. Use budget towards maker space program.</p> | |
| <p>Outreach brainstorming</p> | <p>City Centre outreach initiatives circulated.</p> <p>Possible outreach events that are LAC specific: The Sherbrook street festival, which includes activities such as storytelling from the main stage. This year we could do one version for children and one for adults. Tamara will check into when library staff members are available for storytelling at Sherbrook. Kelly will coordinate the Sherbrook street festival this year. Ellice street festival is another possibility. Karen will look into the details and dates of the festival.</p> <p>Other festival possibilities are: Sherburn festival, South Osborne, Nuit Blanche.</p> <p>October is elder and senior's month. Gerri is part of the council and will find out details as to when the trade show will be at the convention centre.</p> | |

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| | <p>We could do one outreach event for families and one for seniors.</p> <p>All branches (staff) participate in: Pride parade, book bike, Folk Festival, Nuit Blanche, Fringe Festival.</p> | |
| <p>Update on Grant Park (GP) open house, Review of River Heights (RH) Library programs and tour from Kelsey Middleton</p> | <p>Update on GP: There was positivity and community input at the open house. Many questions were answered about the project moving forward. There is a survey available that can be filled out until April 22 regarding two of the Grant Park Library concepts. You can win two tickets to Folklorama if you fill out the survey.</p> <p>The new library is a five-minute drive from the current location.</p> <p>LAC Discussion (on GP): Parking is a concern. If there is a swim meet or a tournament, parking regulation will be difficult.</p> <p>Review of RH programs: There has been a large increase in the programming since November for children and adults. Programs include colouring for grownups, growing hydrangeas, the first maker space program at RH, as well as computer and law programs. Some possible future programs include joining the River Heights farmers market, more children's programming and summer reading programs for teens. March is one of the busiest months. RH is the 5th busiest branch of the WPL.</p> <p>Tour</p> | |
| <p>Next LAC Meeting Date/Time/Place</p> | <p>Thursday May 25th, 5:30pm-7:00pm, Osborne Library, 625 Osborne Street</p> | |
| <p>Adjourn</p> | <p>MOTION REQUIRED That the meeting be adjourned 6:37 pm</p> | <p>David Robinson, Anastasia Baran</p> |