



Meeting Minutes

1/5/2024

Roll call: President Alex Harwood, Vice-President Liam Peterson, Secretary Jacob Jamieson, Councilmember Johnny Harwood, Councilmember Dianna Beeman.

Tanner and Carly are absent.

Visit from Library Director, Shasta Hochstrasser:

- What does a Library Director do?
 - Tracks statistical data
 - Applies for grants
 - She is in charge of hiring employees or firing them, she also makes sure their getting enough vacations and that they're doing a good job.
 - Oversees employee activities/schedules/safety
 - Make sure that the building itself is safe for those using it and when needed requests bids, preferably from local companies, for repair/replacements
- Shasta volunteered in libraries as a teenager before getting a job shelving books at Kuna Library
- She started working for Mountain Home Public Library 9 years ago at the front desk.
- She currently has a master's degree in library science and a bachelor degree in early childhood education
- She recommends the movie, The Public.
- She is currently concerned about talk in the legislation about book committee wo would read every book in the library and decide if it is appropriate to remain in the library. There is a lot of debate on what counts as ethical in a library and who is responsible for what kids read/checkout from the library. (Coeur d'Alene's public library director keep quitting and a library in Northern Idaho has hired an armed guard because of this topic)
- Shasta's favorite part of being a director is hearing how important the library is to people and hearing how people connected at the library through library programs.
- MHCYC member requested more teen programs – told to Speak with Jessica
- MHCYC member requested adding video games to the collection – Shasta recommended requesting them from a library in the consortium through the courier service
- MHCYC member mentioned a mold smell – Shasta requests that if you notice it to please

let her know when and where so that she can investigate that

- She looks at grants for any of those in need.
- She must
- She has a master's in library science.

Recruit update:

- Still need members from Homeschool and Bennett High School

Committee updates

- Recreation: No new updates. (February & March will have more community events)
- Community Leadership: No present
- Social Media/Promotional: Noticed Parks & Rec has started posting more and will start sharing more of their teen events.
- Outreach: no new update

Thoughts for big project:

- Ideas for a project that will help the youth community in a big way.
- Summer Hire Job Fair
 - Carl Miller Park
 - April
 - Business booths
 - HR booth to explain “new hire” paperwork
 - Resume booth

Other

- Request for team building meetings.
 - Approved and 1st team building meeting is February 16th.