

LAKE FOREST PARK LIBRARY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

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PRESENT: Maureen Kerschbaum (chair), Katie Boyes (KCLS), Grant Blume, Alexa Johnson, Kathleen Fernandes (secretary)

ABSENT: Catherine Kernan, Diana McQuay, Shannon McLeod

- Introductions
 - We welcomed Katie Boyes, Librarian Services Manager, Alder Region. Region Manager Pauline Worden retired at the end of November.
- 2020 READS program
 - This year's READS book was *The House in the Cerulean Sea* by TJ Klune. Klune appeared via Zoom in conversation with author Seanan McGuire. The Zoom approach allowed us to choose an author from outside the Pacific Northwest. All members reported hearing nothing about positive responses to the book, author, and format.
- KCLS Report
 - Katie summarized library services since March 2020, when the library buildings closed to the public and staff worked from home. Staff returned to branches in May and June of 2020 and began curbside service to patrons. Lake Forest Park had up to 250 curbside appointments a day, putting it in the top half of all KCLS branches. Shoreline Library patrons picked up their holds at Lake Forest Park during that building's renovation. By May 2021, libraries began to open to the public with limited hours. KCLS is planning to expand open hours for Lake Forest Park in 2022.
 - Ebook circulation has always been high at KCLS, but has increased during the pandemic.
 - In-person, in-building programming has not yet resumed. KCLS does offer online programs, including story times, Study Zone Plus, book groups, author visits and more.
- New Business
 - We discussed some ideas for next year's READS book. Katie will check on the KCLS policy regarding partnering with us on an in-person program if the library system itself has not yet resumed in-person programming.
 - We discussed the value of the library to the Lake Forest Park community and how the committee could advocate for keeping the library in place with redevelopment of the Town Center. Katie will check with the KCLS Facilities Manager about how the system would deal with redevelopment changes.
- Meeting Schedule for 2022
 - Library Advisory Committee: March 23, June 22, September 28, December 7 (all meetings at 7 pm)

- READS: January 19 at 5 pm
- What Are We Reading?
 - *Cold Millions* by Jess Walter (Spokane author)
 - *State of Terror* by Hillary Rodham Clinton and Louise Penny
 - *Oh William!* By Elizabeth Strout
 - *Foundation Trilogy* by Isaac Asimov
 - *Ender's Game* by Orson Scott Card
 - *The Sum of Us* by Heather McGhee
 - *Kaleidoscope* by Brian Selznick
 - *All Systems Red (Murderbot series #1)* by Martha Wells
 - *Dear Mrs. Bird* by AJ Pearce
 - *Rock Paper Scissors* by Alice Feeney
 - *The Man Who Died Twice* by Richard Osman
 - *North by Shakespeare* by Michael Blanding