

Lake Forest Park Library Advisory Committee Meeting

6.25.25

Amended Minutes

Present:

Alexa Johnson, President
Eloise Boyle, Vice President
Ann Gigli, Secretary
Eileen de la Cruz
Catherine Kernan
Lolly Smith
Alice Darnton, KCLS Representative

Absent:

Call to order: 5:30

READS Update:

- All is in place for the LFP, Shoreline and Richmond Beach Libraries summer READS of The Exit Interview by Kristi Coulter. The author will be presenting at Third Place Commons on Tuesday, July 29 at 7:00 p.m.
- After discussion with Amy, it was decided that it was not necessary to have any additional tabling related to the author presentation.
- Catherine and Lolly will be attending the Lake Forest Park City Council meeting on Thursday, June 25 to update the city council on READS as well as the Adult Summer Reading programs, etc.

KCLS Report:

Presentation to City Council

- There is a July 10th joint presentation for the City Council by KCLS and the Library Advisory Committee. At other city councils Alice and Katie Boyce, a KCLS colleague have provided an introduction, why we are here, stats for the library, resources, programs & outreach, and summer reading programs. The LAC members will follow up by asking for a declaration by the City Council in support of intellectual freedom and the American Library Association's week in September 2025, Read for Your Rights.
- Additional information could be provided about:
 - History of the library and the mall relationship, library growth with mall growth
 - Collaboration with 3rd Place books.
 - The place of the LFP library in the city and community.
- Proposed timing:
 - 3 min intro
 - 3 min programs and resources
 - 3 min intellectual freedom.
 - Questions

- Discussed sample proclamation, looked at Kirkland's proclamation and the American Library Association's Bill of Rights
- Alice will contact Kirkland regarding use theirs as a model and send a copy to LAC members.
- Plan for requesting to be on the agenda for an August Council Meeting to request a vote on the intellectual freedom proclamation.
- Planning for attendance: Eloise, Lolly and Ann. Eloise will be presenting.
- Alice will be following up on other details.

City Report:

- Alexa met with the city:
 - Position 1 Is still open. There is now a direct link on our website to the application. <https://lakeforestpark-wa.municodemeetings.com/bc/application>
- The city has updated the language about what we do!

“Supports and promotes reading as a life-long activity in our community through programs including a common book READS program during the summer, outreach at the Farmers’ Market for summer adult and children reading programs, and encouraging the freedom to read.”
- Octavia Butler Committee has had a community event and has sponsored an Octavia Butler mural which is in Third Place Books.

2024-2025 meeting dates:

Wednesday September 24, 2025, 5:00 pm CHANGE
 Wednesday December 3, 2025 7:00 pm

What we've been reading:

Alexa: Marble Hall murders!
 Roy Choi presentation - The Choi of Cooking

Catherine: Story of a Heart -organ donation and transplant in a nine-year-old child.
 Drop Box - Harry Bosch

Eileen: Empire of Pain - Sackler family and the opioid epidemic.
 Blow Out - Rachel Maddow - oil and gas industry, greed and corruption

Ann: Fire Weather - Climate change and year-long fire seasons

Lolly: Orbital -Samantha Harvey - Beautiful language
 Beautiland - Marie Helene Bertino - Alien born on earth
 The Ministry of Time - very British

Alice: Elita

Eloise: Ann Tyler Three Days in June - Not Ann's best but still a good book.
Moir McDonald - Storybook Ending - Takes place in a bookstore very much like
Ravenna Third Place