



**Minutes of the April 9, 2018, Meeting
Library Advisory Board**

PRESENT: Joan Smith, Marcy Irby (Chair), Crystal Bauer (Vice Chair), Travis Davidson, Keri Simon, Melissa Kuhl, Hannah Cannon (Student Board Representative), Delane James (Library Director), Paula Hildebrandt (Library Technician)

CALL TO ORDER: Marcy Irby called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS (Chair and Vice Chair)

- Crystal nominated Keri for the Chair position; Keri accepted the nomination. There were no other nominations. The Board voted all in favor of Keri as the new chair.
- Crystal nominated Travis for the Vice Chair position; Travis accepted the nomination. There were no further nominations. The Board voted on in favor of Travis as the new Vice Chair.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES: The minutes of the March 12, 2018 meeting were approved as written with all Board members voting in favor.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT: Library Director, Delane James reported on the following:

- The new Maker Space on 3rd floor is now officially designated as such and no further Silent Reading Room reservations are being taken. A new laptop charging locker with 24 slots is in place, along with a boom box, and 2 sewing machines.
- The Library has officially become a partner with an international movement, Boomerang Bags, started in Australia with the purpose of greatly decreasing the use of plastic bags. The Library will be offering sewing maker space events to create boomerang bags out of donated fabric. Annette Schwartz is heading up the sewing maker space and will be leading an informational meeting on May 1, 2018, from 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. for those interested in making bags. During this process, people will have the opportunity to learn to sew. No-sew bag projects are being planned as well. SELCO plastic book bags are no longer available for purchase. Currently, the Library still offers small blue plastic bags during inclement weather.

- As the Library continues to develop the Maker Space, plans are being made to include a few small, affordable 3D printers for people to use themselves. Plans are also in the works to make other tools such as the die cut machine and vinyl cutter available for public use when a staff person is available to monitor and assist as needed.
- Plans for the pollinator garden in the lawn space behind the Great Hall are coming together. The current Faribault's Future class have procured a \$1,500 grant from Allina Hospital for the garden and the Rotary Club will be donating a buddy bench.
- Krista Ross, SELCO Executive Director, will be attending the next Library Advisory Board meeting on May 14, 2018 to talk with the Board about their vision for the Library's new strategic plan.

TEEN ADVISORY BOARD REPORT: Hannah Cannon had no report at this time.

SELCO REPORT: There will be a SELCO Directors' meeting on April 10, 2018.

POLICY REVIEW: The Board reviewed the proposed changes to the Service to Residential Facilities policy. Delane explained that the Library is now providing service to the Rice County Jail in addition to the Minnesota Correctional Facility. The Library also provides institutional library cards to schools, nursing homes, daycares, etc. Following a brief discussion, the changes were approved unanimously by the Board.

NEXT MEETING DATE: Monday, May 14, 2018, at 6:00 p.m. on the 3rd floor.

ADJORNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Paula Hildebrandt, Library Receptionist