NORTH LAKE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY DISTRICT BOARD OF TRUSTEES SPECIAL MEETING Thursday, June 6, 2019

Members Present: Allen Bone, Clint Hoxie, Brooke Wegner, Holly Wurl

Members Absent: Maggie Newman

Others Present: Abbi Dooley, Mallory Witham

Meeting called to order by Chair Allen Bone at 5:00 p.m.

ADDITIONS OR CHANGES TO THE AGENDA: None.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION COMMENTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON AGENDA: None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Strategic Facility Planning:

<u>Vote to move forward with Cardinal Architecture:</u> Allen asked if all the Trustees had reviewed the proposal from the architect. Brooke asked if the architect is aware of the modifications that were discussed at the May meeting. Abbi answered that he is. Abbi noted that she would prefer not to have design meetings during regular board meetings and had discussed this with the architect. The architect proposed new dates of June 20th and July I Ith. He will be traveling to the area in July and we would save on travel costs. Changes were discussed including the new entrance for ADA compliance. Holly reiterated her objection to the coffee shop. Allen stated that he feels that Jim Cary wants to complete this project. Clint stated that he sees no objections to contracting with his firm.

Clint moved and Brooke seconded the motion to accept the revised proposal by and contract with Cardinal Architecture PC – James Cary, Principal for architectural plans and processes associated with library building renovation. **The motion passed.**

FOR: Allen Bone, Clint Hoxie, Brooke Wegner, Holly Wurl

AGAINST: None.

Brooke asked if the Trustees should be at the June 20th meeting. Abbi replied, yes and that there needs to be a quorum of the board. Clint stated that he probably would not be able to attend. Abbi noted the length of the meeting and it was suggested to start the meeting earlier and Brooke could join at 5 p.m. Clint stated that he feels that it would be beneficial for the board to decide what the design will be before the architect is here and charging by the hour. Holly reiterated her objections to the coffee shop space again. She stated that she has a problem in general with food and drinks around the books. She stated that libraries that have coffee shops, like Missoula, Bozeman, and Billings are a different demographic and size. Holly is concerned with the idea of contracting the work out for a coffee shop in regards to security and access to the library, but she does not want to hire another library employee to run a coffee shop either. Clint agreed that an employee should not be hired. Abbi stated that is not the intention. The idea is to ask for bids and contract out the

coffee shop. Access to the library can be addressed in the design. Holly has concerns about competing with local coffee shops. Brooke added that she feels it would bring more patrons into the library. She also stated her generation loves the idea of Starbucks and studying together. She also added that the high school has a coffee shop. Abbi stated that she really wants to draw teens into the library. She added that at least planning for the possibility (plumbing, electrical and counter space) would be ideal. If it doesn't work out the space could be used for library programming. Allen stated he would vote for putting the plumbing and electrical in for possibilities in the future. Clint added that we would only need basic plumbing and electrical lines. He added that he just heard a patron talking to a library staff member about how it is so nice that we are not making everyone be quiet when they are in the library.

Clint asked if the coffee shop is the only point of contention with Abbi's proposed design. Holly stated she does not have a clear picture of the proposal after the discussion about changing the entrance to the corner. Clint addressed Holly regarding the coffee shop and asked her if the other Trustees approve the coffee shop in the design, does she understand that she will have to accept that and move on. She replied that she understands. Clint proposed that Abbi email out all the changes to the Board.

OTHER BUSINESS: None.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

NEXT RENOVATION MEETING: The next special meeting/workshop of the North Lake County Public Library District Board of Trustees is scheduled for Thursday, June 20th time to be determined.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: The next regular meeting of the North Lake County Public Library Board of Trustees is scheduled for Thursday, June 27, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. at the library.

The meeting adjourned at 5:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Abbi Dooley, Library Director

Abigail J. Doolsy