

**Whitman County Library**  
**Board of Trustees Meeting**  
Public Meeting at the Colfax Branch of the Whitman County Library  
July 19, 2022

**Present:** Steve Balzarini, Sue Kreikemeier, Ronda Penwell, Heather Lustig, Cody Allen, Shirley Cornelius, and Sheri Miller. Guests included Clancy Pool, Sarah Phelan, and Kathy Buchholtz.

Chair Suzanne Schmick called the meeting to order at 4:01 p.m.

### **Approval of Consent Agenda**

Minutes of the June 21, 2022 meeting, and Resolutions 22-14 and 22-15 were approved by a vote of the Board.

### **Reports**

July financial documents were shared with the board and there were no additional comments on the statements.

Cody presented his initial director's report. His move across the country went well and in the week since he has started, he has visited the Colton, Uniontown, Oakesdale, Malden, Tekoa, and Rosalia branches. Sheri mentioned that the Blood drive is this week and that we have renewed our subscription for Beanstack with the help of a grant from the Washington State Library Association. Sheri is working with WSU to start up Crazy 8's again this fall in both the Colfax library and the branches.

The Friends have a monthly meeting at the library tomorrow, July 20. The Friends are sponsoring several events for the Colfax 150 which is being held this weekend. The friends are paying for a performance of Cecil the Magician on Saturday and helping with the sausage feed after the volksmarch on Sunday. There are also several new art displays in the Center in time for the Colfax 150.

### **Continuing Business**

During Cody's visits to the branches, he noted that the Rosalia branch has a sinking floor and he will be working with the Rosalia city council in the coming months to see if it can be fixed.

There was one revision to the statistics that were distributed earlier. The correct number of digital checkouts should be 2,622. Digital usage in the branches is strong and more ILL's are being distributed in the St John and Palouse branches. Reference use is also up. Palouse and Tekoa have both seen good increases in new library cards issued. Facebook usage for the month is 12,405 and is continuing an upward trend.

Cody handed out a one page Library Bill of Rights interpretation put out by the American Library Association in regards to collection development. Board members will have a chance to review the document and discuss at a later meeting.

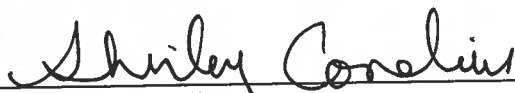
**New Business**

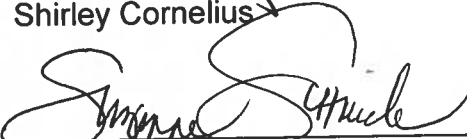
Steve Balzarini will be going off the board of directors at the end of 2021. In the next couple of months, with suggestions from staff and board remembers, we hope to have a replacement in place before Steve leaves the board.

There was no Public Comment.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 PM.

The next regular meeting will be Tuesday, August 16 at 4:00 PM at the Colfax branch of the Whitman County Library.

  
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Shirley Cornelius

  
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Suzanne Schmick, Chair