

**Delaware County Libraries  
Board of Directors  
MINUTES  
Thursday, June 20, 6:30 p.m.**

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**1. Call to Order – 6:30pm by H. McGrane**

Present: I. Baines, D. Ferguson, H. McGrane, J. Shulbank, K. Standen, A. Laepple, K. Suda

Absent: V. Maroun, T. Nixon

**2. Public Comments on Agenda Items**

No Comments

**3. Strategic Plan update**

Sheryl Trent, SBrand Solutions, provided a brief overview of the work being done to update the DCL strategic plan including: two focus groups with member library staff, a survey for member libraries, interviews with a variety of stakeholders, and work in August that SBrand will do with DCL staff. The final update is anticipated in the fall.

**4. Minutes: April 18, 2024**

Motion to approve made and seconded by Standen, Shulbank; unanimous approval

**5. Communications & Announcements**

**a. National Library Week Photo Contest Winners (Laepple)**

DCL held a photo contest during National Library Week and recognized the winners in two categories, Library Buildings: Inside and Out and Libraries in Action. A slide of the winning images was shared. Winners included:

*Libraries in Action*

1 <sup>st</sup>	Two Little Book Worms	<i>Lauren Fagust</i>
2 <sup>nd</sup>	A Day of Learning	<i>Jasmine Sitvarin</i>
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Books & Besties	<i>Selina Seymore</i>
3 <sup>rd</sup>	100 Years of Magic	Charles Sanders

*Library Buildings*

1 <sup>st</sup>	Climb Up for Good	Linnie Greenberg
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Reading Together	Xiaomeng Wei
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Radiant Reads	Vivian Bajus

Mr. Sanders and Ms. Wei were present and were presented with certificates.

**b. Summer Beanstack Challenges (Suda)**

Readers of all ages are invited to participate in DCL's summer Beanstack challenges and are encouraged to help achieve our 1 million minutes of reading goal. The challenges run June 19 through August 7.

**c. Journey Across Delco (Suda)**

Children are invited to participate in Journey Across Delco by visiting as many libraries as they can to learn about the Summer Olympic Games in Paris, France. Participants will earn brag tags at each library they visit. The program runs June 19 through August 7.

**d. Science in the Summer (Suda)**

Children entering grades 2 through 6 are invited to register for Science in the Summer – Be a Space Scientist. The program is being offered at 16 libraries. Dates and details can be found on the DCL calendar of events.

**6. Financial Report: May 2024**

Motion to approve made and seconded by Ferguson and Baines; unanimous approval

**7. Administrator's Report**

**a. Interlibrary delivery update (Laepple)**

Contract with Brooks Courier Service ended on May 3 and a not-full-time employee has been covering the delivery route since May 13. A new permanent, full-time position in the AFSCME union was approved May 14 and is in recruitment. Laepple thanked the DCL HQ staff for pitching in to sort and deliver items when needed and for the ongoing patience of member libraries. Positive feedback is already being received regarding how quickly items are moving!

**b. 2024-2025 District Negotiated Agreement submission (Laepple)**

The 2024-2025 District Negotiated Agreement and 23 member library verifications were submitted to the Office of Commonwealth Libraries for review. Approval is anticipated on or before July 1. The DNA serves as the application for District Aid, so that has been completed. Funding is anticipated in early fall, but is dependent on the State budget passage.

**c. Glenolden Library temporary closure (Laepple)**

The Glenolden Library is temporarily closed. Residents are reminded that they may use any Delaware County Libraries location.

**8. Committee Reports**

No committee reports

**9. New Business**

No new business

## **10. Old Business**

### **a. System-Wide Evaluation Stakeholder Groups and Task Force (McGrane)**

McGrane reviewed plan to create an overall System-Wide Evaluation Task Force and four Stakeholder Groups to look more closely at the ReThinking Libraries System-Wide Evaluation report and set priorities. Library directors will receive a detailed communication the week of June 24 with full information. McGrane shared that the planned approach has been widely discussed and agreed to by the DCL leadership including the DCLB, Sandra Garrison, and Dr. Monica Taylor as well as RTL.

## **11. Public Comments**

No comments

## **12. Adjourn**

Motion to adjourn made and seconded by Ferguson and Standen; unanimous approval, meeting adjourned at 7:01pm

***Next Meeting: August, 15 2024, 6:30pm***