



LIBRARY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

January 20, 2022

4PM

Present: Stephanie Wexler-Robock, Judy Spiller, Rachel Dennis, Tom Newbold, Cici Nielsen, Lindsay Burrowbridge, Lee Perkins, Kendra Amaral

1. Committee introductions and structure
 - Com wants to be moderately informal and foster open discussion.
 - discussed establishing bylaws and continuing to have an agenda and materials in advance of the meeting.
 - Susan Goodman was unable to attend but agreed to be considered for Chair.
2. Reviewed duties and priorities
 - Library policies, especially Freedom to Read policy. Forms already exist. Members agreed to assist Lee with draft.
 - Review and revision/affirmation of vision and mission statement. Committee members to share examples for next meeting.
 - Developing a five-year strategic plan. Funding is in place to hire a consultant to assist the Town with this effort. Committee wants to ensure external data such as surveys and info from non-patrons/targeted groups as part of development of the strategic plan.
3. Next Steps
 - Stick with last Thu of month at 4PM; may need to pause on meetings in March and April as staff focus on moving into and reopening expanded Rice Lib bldg.
 - Vote to make Susan Chair of the Com.
 - Com members assist Lee with turning ALA Freedom to Read statement into policy-type language.
 - Com members research vision and mission statements from other libraries. Send examples to Kendra no later than the week before the next meeting to be included in the meeting packet.