

Meeting Notes for June 25, 2018, 4:00-5:30

Chris Jackson opened the meeting at 4:00 p.m.

Members: Susan Russ, David Carter, Chris Jackson, Chris Cutshall, Connie Neal, Barbara

McKInney, Dr. Lisa Connolly, Tyler Frazee, John Brady, Cori Mitchell, Chris Baskins,

Coleman Kavgian, Iris Kiesling, Nick Philbeck and Linda Crawford.

Guest presenters: Dr. Cara Reader, Beth Warner

Staff: Michael Shermis

Minutes: Minutes from the May meeting were corrected to reflect that phone-assisted learning is not yet in use in Monroe County Public Library. The portable assisted listening device will utilize a central microphone to pick up the targeted message as it filters out other noises. Dr. Connolly moved and Susan seconded that the minutes be accepted with this correction.

Financial Report: The balance in the CCA account is \$3945.85.

Media: There was no media presented.

Report from the city: Michael provided an update on communication with the Zagster Company which is setting up the bike-sharing program. Barbara McKinney reported that 150 regular bikes are to be ordered along with three adaptive bikes. These three adaptive bikes will be used for recreation. Most likely, the three adaptive bikes will include one each of a side-by-side tandem bike, a hand-controlled bike, and a tricycle. Michael will check to see if there is an app for bicycle-location and seek feedback from the community as to where the adaptive bicycles might be placed.

The City intends to seek the council's input on the placement of the bikes and bike racks. The bicycles can be left locked at any bicycle rack and City staff will pick up bicycles to be redistributed about the city. Additional information will be obtained before potential sponsors of additional bicycles are sought.

The City of Bloomington's Planning Department, Tom Miller, Director of Innovation, and staff liaison for CCA, Michael, will be working with Ohio State University's project of developing Smart Paint. This paint contains light-emitting oxides that can be picked up by detector/vibrator clips on white canes to aid in accessibility of people with visual impairments.

Guest Presentations: Beth Warner and Dr. Cara Reader, from Student Life and Support Services, at Ivy Tech, spoke about how students secure services for providing personal accommodations for their specific needs that are related to their disabilities. Beth and Cara outlined steps that must be taken by students to secure these accommodations, as well faculty responsibilities in meeting the student needs. Students must renew accommodations every semester. Other services offered by their office include weekly meetings to help students with organization and planning, mediation of communication between students and faculty, connection with outside agencies, and counseling.

New Accessibility Concerns: There is no access for people using wheelchairs at the Pawn Shop located near Sam's Club.

There is difficulty in using Bloomington Transit to cross 3rd Street from the K-Mart Plaza to the Lowe's Plaza.

There is an issue on the path of travel at the entrance of the Bedrak Café.

Report from the Chair: There was no report from the chair.

Committee Reports:

A. Accessibility Committee: Chris reported that twelve of the sixteen MCCSC schools within the city limits have been surveyed with the expectation that the surveying will be completed by early August. He said that surveying is done with respect to meeting accessible needs of visitors to the school, such as parking, paths of travel, height of paper towel dispensers, etc.

Chris Baskins reported that the MCCSC employee portal is not accessible.

B. Activities and Events Committee: Susan requested that Council members who are able to help with the event of CCA's July celebration of the ADA contact her or Michael. Volunteers are to wear their Breaking down the Barrier t-shirts. The event will be held at the Farmer's Market on Saturday, July 28th, from nine until noon. Six agencies—SICIL, IDIC, MCPL, Stone Belt, PALS, and Ivy Tech—have activities and take-away prizes planned. Cookies from Baked! will be offered upon completion of four or more activities offered by the agencies. The budget for this event (cookies, decorations, and photo frame) is slightly less than \$470.

Reports from Affiliate Organizations and Programs/Announcements: Taste of Bloomington used golf carts to help people get around at their event last Saturday, June 23rd.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:22 pm. Respectfully submitted, Linda Crawford