

Bellevue Library Advisory Board

Recommendation

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King County Library System (KCLS)

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Direction

Consider directing staff to prepare the necessary legislation to formally sunset the Bellevue Library Advisory Board for Council deliberation and action at a future meeting.



Agenda

1. Background
2. Evolution
3. KCLS Role
4. Direction

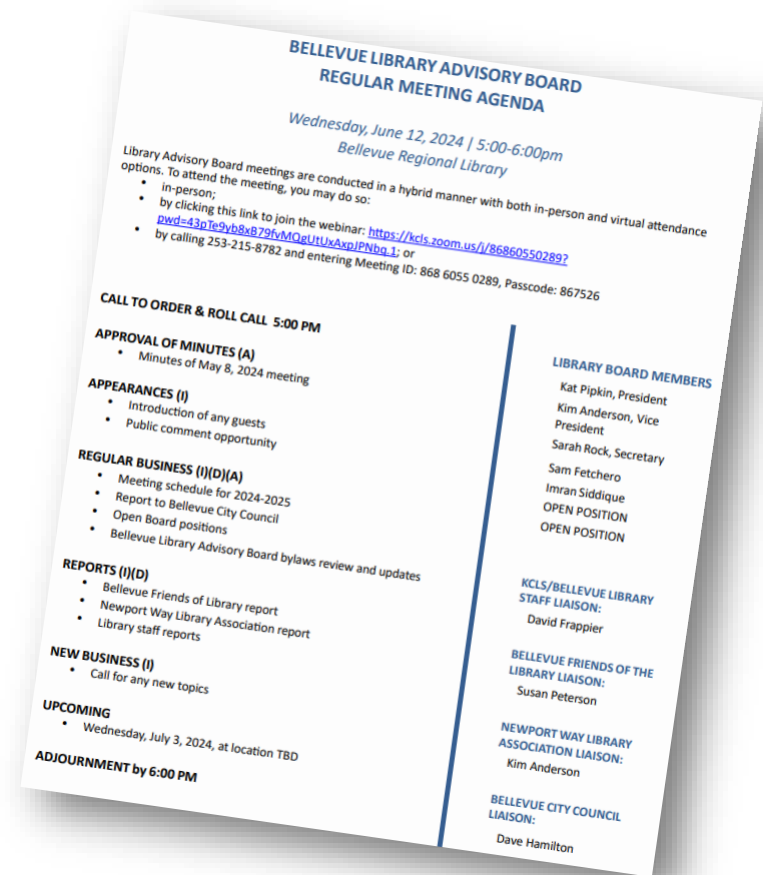


Newport Way Library



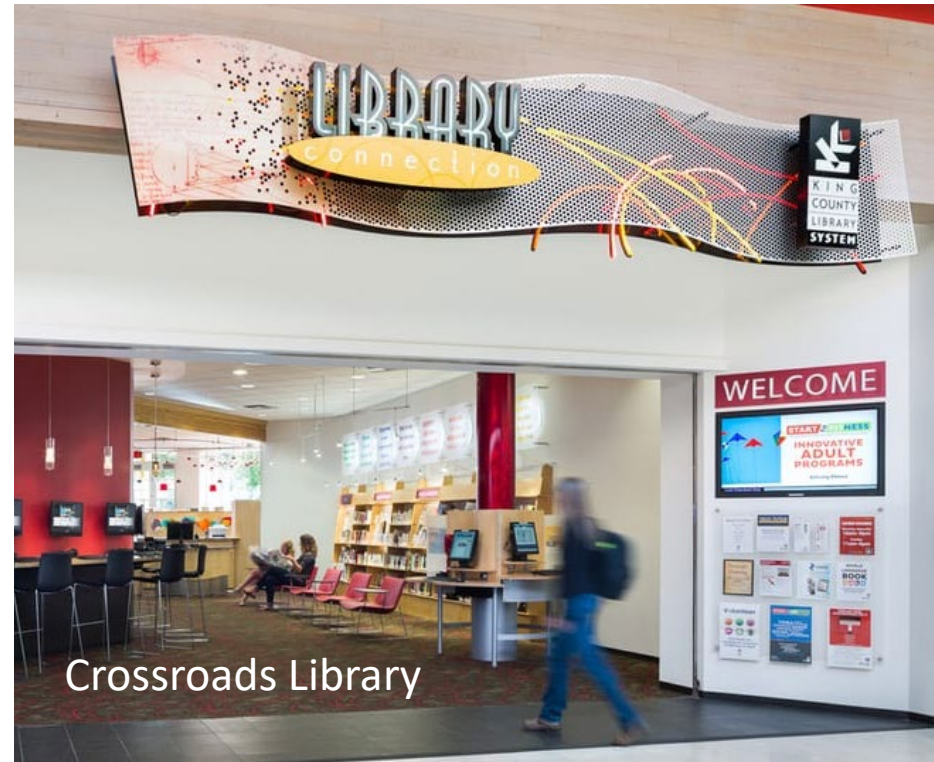
Library Board Background

- From Trustees to Library Board (1993)
- Role of the Board
 - Reports, Recommendations
- Engagement with the Library Board
- Challenges facing the Board
 - Clear purpose & work plan
 - Redundancy of roles (KCLS, Friends groups)



Library Board Evolution

- Evolution of library boards
- Well-administered system
- Unanimous Recommendation to Sunset the Library Board (2024)
 - Establish liaison
 - Annual Report



Crossroads Library



KCLS Role Moving Forward

- Liaison to the City and Council regarding the concerns of Bellevue residents
- Feedback strategies
- Community engagement
- Staff responsibilities, including librarians
- Annual Report to Council
- Serving the community together (ex. Community Court)
- Opportunities to serve, including KCLS Board of Trustees, Friends groups, volunteer opportunities





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