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STAFF REPORT

BOARD MEETING DATE: August 23, 2022

DATE: Thursday, August 18, 2022

TO: Board of County Commissioners

FROM: Jeff Scott, Library Director
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THROUGH: Dave Solaro, Assistant County Manager

SUBJECT: Recommendation to appoint two candidates from a pool of applicants including: Ann Medaille, and Lea Moser, to fill two vacating seats on the Washoe County Library Board of Trustees, with a term effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2025. (All Commission Districts.)

SUMMARY

The Washoe County Library Board of Trustees is recommending the Board of County Commissioners appoint two candidates from a pool of applicants including Ann Medaille, and Lea Moser, to fill two vacating seats on the Washoe County Library Board of Trustees, with a term effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2025.

Washoe County Strategic Objective supported by this item: Regional and Community Leadership.

PREVIOUS ACTION

No previous action.

BACKGROUND

On June 30, 2022, Trustees Wayne Holland, Zanny Marsh, and Jean Stoess completed their terms as Trustees. In response to notices in local newspapers, the County website and the Library website, 2 individuals expressed interest and submitted applications, which are appended to this report. Washoe County Library System received 2 applications and plans to reopen the vacancy to fill the remaining seat. There has been a cancellation of the July Library Board of Trustees meeting, and meetings will resume in August, 2022.

The Board of Trustees of the Washoe County Library System are appointed by the Washoe County Commissioners in accordance with NRS 379.022, and are responsible for governing the operations of Washoe County Library System. The Library Board appoints the Library Director and evaluates his or her performance, helps set Library goals and objectives, approves policies, monitors the Library's finances, evaluates the Library's overall effectiveness, and advocates for the Library in the community.

AGENDA ITEM # _____

NRS 379.020(1) requires the Board of County Commissioners to appoint members to the Washoe County Library Board of Trustees. Individuals appointed must be residents of Washoe County and must be competent. In addition, the Board of Trustees has recommended the following criteria to be used when evaluating applicants:

- Demonstrated use and appreciation of libraries
- Experience working with libraries, especially public libraries
- Other work experience
- Volunteer experience
- Community involvement
- Commission District where the applicant resides

The respective County Commission District in which each of the 2 applicants reside is listed below:

Ann Medaille, District 2
Lea Moser, District 3

The Commission District in which each current Library Trustee resides is as follows:

Amy Ghilieri, District 1
Frank Perez, District 5

FISCAL IMPACT

No fiscal impact.

RECOMMENDATION

Recommendation to appoint two candidates from a pool of applicants including: Ann Medaille, and Lea Moser, to fill two vacating seats on the Washoe County Library Board of Trustees, with a term effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2025.

POSSIBLE MOTION

Should the Board agree with staff's recommendation, a possible motion would be: "Move to appoint [selected applicant] to fill one vacating seat on the Library Board of Trustees, with a term effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2025."