

Little Falls Library Advisory Committee Meeting  
(via ZOOM)  
August 4, 2020

1. The meeting was called to order at approximately 7:00 PM. Attendees included: Carolyn Bogardus, Library Manager, Dave Shumaker, President, Michael Wallace, MCLB Liaison, Lisa Owen, President, Glen Echo Heights Citizens' Association, Robert November, Hannah November and Kathy Davies, Secretary.
2. Minutes of the June 2, 2020 meeting were approved as presented.
3. The Chair reported that he had received a response to his memorandum regarding staffing at Little Falls Library and had sent a note expressing his appreciation to Anita Vassolo Director, MCPL, and Sonja Roberts, Chair, MCLB.
4. Branch Manager Carolyn Bogardus presented her report, a written copy of which is attached. A Little Falls long-time Library Assistant left. Contactless holds pickup provides an opportunity for library staff to interact with customers. The library could reopen after Labor Day. The Chair asked whether suggestions could be submitted, answer, not yet, and whether it was customary for the LAC to send a letter to a retiring staff member, answer, not usually. Lisa Owen asked whether it was possible to provide outside seating for library customers. The Branch Manager said that, for a variety of reasons, it was not possible at this time.
5. Library Board Liaison Michael Wallace reported that a Task Force is considering whether the Montgomery County libraries should to fine free. MCPL are already fine free for children. The financial impact to MCPL in going fine free would be the loss of \$500,000 in income. In any case, no fines will be assessed until the end of the year. A report from the Task Force is expected in September. Mr. Wallace will be leaving the Library Board on September 30th, so the LAC will have a new MCLB liaison in the fall.
6. Old Business. There was no old business.

7. New Business. Hannah November asked where is MC information on the coronavirus posted. The Branch Manager said that all virus information is on the MC website and that she would see if it would be possible to have bookmarks to the information. It was noted that this would be a good time to attend the meetings of other LACs since all meetings are virtual and no transportation would be required. Lisa Owens said that she would send us contacts from other neighborhoods.

8. Adjournment. After setting does for future meetings as Tuesday, October 6, 2020, and Tuesday, December 1, 2020, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:00 PM.

Submitted by Kathy Davies, Secretary, for the LFLAC meeting of August 4, 2020.