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Bulletin Board Policy

Announcements of community interest from nonprofit organizations, schools and governmental agencies may be displayed on the bulletin board in the Library. The Director will approve materials to be displayed and maintained by Library staff. No materials, leaflets, or posters that proselytize or advocate the election of a candidate, political or otherwise, may be displayed on Library property. The bulletin board may not be used for the benefit of private individuals or for commercial enterprises. Authorized use of the Library bulletin board does not constitute an endorsement by the Library of an organization's policy, beliefs or practices.

Objections to Library Resources

The Library will review, consider and respond to all comments and questions about library materials, services, programming, and policy although greater weight may be given to the requests of eligible cardholders, who are the Library's constituents. Any individual who wishes to provide comments or questions about any item(s) in the collection or the services and programs the Library provides to the community should complete a REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION OF A LIBRARY RESOURCE FORM. Requests for reconsideration will be reviewed by the Director who will respond to the requesting individual in writing within thirty days with a decision on the request. If dissatisfied with the Director's decision, the individual may appeal the Director's decision to the Library Board of Trustees. The appeal must be in writing and filed within 7 days of the Director's written decision by delivery to the Library Director. The Board of Trustees will review the individual's written appeal request, the original Request for Reconsideration of a Library Resource Form and the Director's decision at the next available regular meeting. This may not be the next scheduled meeting if the agenda has already been published or if there is a full agenda already established. The individual will receive a letter with the Board's decision on the appeal within thirty days of the meeting at which the appeal is considered. The Board's decision is final and will remain in effect for a term of five years during which a challenged resource will not be subject to further challenge absent recommendation from the Director.