



Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Coeur d'Alene Public Library Board of Trustees May 27, 2015

Trustees Present:

Katie Saylor
Steve McCrea
Fay Sweney
Doug Fagerness
Ann Smart via Facetime

Others:

Kiki Miller, council liaison
Melissa Searle, Reference & TS librarian
Cassidee Smidt, student rep
Bette Ammon, director
Sam Helal, student
James Cronister, student

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 4:04 P.M. by Chairman Sweney.

Public Comment: Students Sam Helal and James Cronister attended in fulfillment of the eight required hours of civic meeting observation required by their high school government class.

Consent Calendar: Motion to approve consent calendar, Saylor; second, McCrea, Approved.

Director's report: Bette has been appointed to the statewide Library Leadership Advisory Committee (LiLAC) and will be attending quarterly meetings in Boise. The group focuses on planning and implementing sustainable leadership development activities for libraries throughout the state.

City Council Liaison: Kiki reported on the presentation made to city council last week by Bette and Lake City High School vice-principal Tom Mollgaard. She thought the information was pretty well received and was well presented. Kiki will be championing this project at the city budget workshop scheduled for July 14.

Friends: The Friends allocated \$2000 toward a new collaborative middle school book club. Called Newfangled Book Club, the club is sponsored by the CdA Library, Community Library Network, and the CdA School District. Participants will be reading books (provided by libraries) and discussing them online. Another \$2000 was also allocated toward the purchase of more ebooks.

Foundation: The Spring Concert was a smashing success with over \$13,000 raised for special library projects. As usual Ruth Pratt's singing was sublime.

Library Partners (School/community library committee). As noted earlier, Bette and Tom Mollgaard presented the concept to city council. The committee will meet again when they know if the public library's budget for FY 16 will allow the implementation of the idea.

Committee chairs report. Ann attended since Fay was out of town. She spoke about the satellite library project and thought others on the committee were well informed.

Bylaws revision. Tabled until Melissa Tosi, human resources, can attend a board meeting. The desire is to have this meeting with Tosi before city council approves the amended personnel rules which re-define the library director's relationship to city administration. Because the library board's bylaws will mirror the personnel rules, the board would like to discuss some of the terms.

Code revision process. This has been vetted and rewritten by Warren Wilson and submitted for the June 8 General Services meeting. The hope is that it will appear on the June 16 city council consent agenda.

Budget. The draft budget for FY 16 was presented to city administrator Hammond and finance director Tymeson. It contains funding for a new FTE to staff the proposed satellite library and assume other library duties. The budget also includes a request for additional database funding. The library is hoping to offer online magazines (Flipster) and a "google-like" search box for all library items.

Wireless printing. This new public service was premiered this week. Patrons can now print to library printers from their personal devices and home computers. The cost per printout is the same as in-house printing. Comments Bette heard today included "Wow" and "Amazing!" The software was purchased by the Library Foundation.

EXECUTIVE SESSION: Motion by Saylor, seconded by McCrea to enter into Executive Session as provided by I.C. 67-2345 §F: To consider the evaluation of an employee. ROLL CALL: McCrea, Aye; Sweney, Aye; Smart; Aye; Saylor, Aye; Fagerness, Aye. Motion carried. The Board entered into Executive Session at 4:50 p.m. Those present were the library director and library board. Matters discussed concerned the director's annual evaluation. The board returned to its regular session at 5:10 p.m. Motion to accept and approve the evaluation, Saylor; second, Fagerness. The board recommends the appropriate cola to be added to the director's salary with appreciation for outstanding service. Approved.

Next meeting. June 24, 2015 at 4pm.

Adjournment: Adjourned 5:15 p.m.

Respectively submitted,
Bette Ammon