



**Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the  
Coeur d'Alene Public Library Board of Trustees  
September 28, 2016**

**Trustees Present:**

Katie Saylor  
Fay Sweney  
Steve McCrea  
Kraig Lysek  
Ann Smart

**Others:**

Bette Ammon, director  
Isabel Baratosh, alt. student rep  
Holly Stetson, foundation manager  
Crystal Miller, circulation manager

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

**Consent Calendar:** Motion to approve, Saylor; second, Smart. Approved.

**Director's report:** Congratulations to Katie Saylor for her reappointment to the Library Board. Her ongoing commitment to the library is extremely valuable. Bette, David, and Talley will be attending the Idaho Library Association's annual conference next week in Idaho Falls. Talley is attending a pre-conference program on library leadership.

Two Kindles were purchased today for checkout. They will be loaded with high demand items.

**Lake City PL.** After school hours resumed when school started; the library is open from 3:30 to 6pm Monday - Thursday. JD put up a great banned books display.

**Friends:** After more than 10 years a president, Judy Edwards stepped down with many accolades. Peggy Appleman is the new president with Ron Deady as vice president. Second Story books is thriving with over \$1400 in sales for August. The Friends contributed \$1000 to the Pageturner's bookclub to continue their support of this popular book discussion group started in 2009. An agreement with Better World Books was approved. Donated and discarded books unsuitable for the bookstore have been going to local thrift stores but with this new agreement BWB will supply boxes and shipping and attempt to sell those books giving 20% back to the Friends.

**Foundation:** Mudgy & Millie's 8<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration was a huge success. Novel Destination for October 21 features In the Midst of Gorillas. Plans for another Reading at the Library program is scheduled for November 18. Sharma Shields' book "Sasquatch Hunter's Almanac" will be featured with soup and bread served plus wine & beer from the Bakery – tickets will be \$30. Shields is a Spokane librarian.

**CdA Press digitization project.** Bette expects the agreement any time (and in fact received it by email the evening of September 28). She'll be sending it to McCrea and the city attorneys.

**Long Range Plan review.** This will continue at the October meeting.

**Budget:** Motion to approve FY 16/17 budget, Smart; second, McCrea. Approved.

**Personnel:** Crystal reported on three recent hires (Susan Chase, Linda Harrison, and Tyler McClane) plus training a new page (library clerk Char Beach added page hours). Crystal and Susan have spent considerable time training and are very pleased with our new staff.

**Discovery.** The contract has been signed and we expect to have this available very soon.

**Use of library meeting rooms for fundraisers.** Further discussion ensued about the library's meeting room policy. The board agreed that current rules should prevail – free public meetings during open library hours. An occasional fundraiser that benefits the library is fine but limiting attendance to sold tickets should not be the norm.

**FY 16/17 holiday calendar:** Motion to approve McCrea; second, Saylor. Approved.

**Board training.** The board will view the Strategic Planning video from ALA at their October meeting.

**Other:** Lysek would like to see us go forward on providing hotspots for patron checkout. He asked Bette to obtain information on the Seattle Public Library program which is extremely successful. This is the library's next technology push possibly with funding from the Foundation for a trial program.

**Next meeting.** Next meeting October 26, 2016 at 4pm.

**Adjournment:** Adjourned 5:33 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Bette Ammon