



## LIBRARIES

**Library Board of Trustees Annual Retreat  
The Museum at Central School  
Tuesday, October 9, 2018 9:00-2:30PM  
MEETING MINUTES**

**Present: Michael Morton, Connie Leistiko, Marsha Sultz, (Board); Ned Cooney (Facilitator); Connie Behe, Teri Dugan, (Staff); Charlotte Housel (Foundation).**

**Call to Order:** M. Morton called the meeting to order at 9:15 AM.

**Open time for persons to address the Board on matters within the Board's jurisdiction.**

M. Morton informed the board that the sale of the property in Bigfork for a future library will likely close in about 3-4 weeks.

**Sustaining Library Funding for FY20 and Beyond**

What other communities have done

- Ronan Public Library Director, Michelle Fenger answered questions and shared experiences in forming a library district. Discussion centered on the processes involved in forming a library district.
- Public/Private partnerships for new library facilities discussion took place.

Discussion of sustainable funding options and the need for more information

- Discussion regarding the role of public funding and private funding.

**15 MIN BREAK**

**Discuss the role of Trustees in the ImagineIF Bigfork Capital Campaign**

- Housel presented a project timeline for the ImagineIF Bigfork Capital Campaign. The library board will focus on library advocacy and referring possible committee prospects.
- Morton requested a binder or FAQ sheet with main bullet points for discussing the project with potential donors and committee members.

**Discuss Trustee Role in community relationship building**

- The library Trustee role is public relations focused. Plans to intentionally deepen connections with the community and Flathead County Commissioners were discussed.

**10 MIN BREAK**

**Create the FY19-FY20 Trustee Work Plan**

- A one-year action plan was created. Board members were assigned specific tasks and deadlines.

**Adjourn:** 2:17 PM