

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE FLATHEAD COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM BOARD OF TRUSTEES WAS HELD ON JANUARY 23, 2013 AT THE MAIN LIBRARY IN KALISPELL AT 9:00AM

PRESENT: Connie Leistiko – (Chair) Kim Crowley- (Library Director)
Al Logan – (Vice-Chair) Connie Behe- (Assistant Director)
Jane Lopp-(Trustee) Teri Dugan- (Office Assistant)
Michael Morton-(Trustee)
Elana Weaver- (Trustee)

Public Attendees- Mark Stevens

WELCOME: The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:02 am.

OPEN TIME FOR PERSONS TO ADDRESS THE BOARD: Mark Stevens addressed the Board with concerns about the Salvation Army selling used library books in closed boxes at \$2.00 per box.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Board Meeting, Wednesday, December 05, 2012 (ACTION)
MOVED BY M. MORTON, “that the minutes from the regular meeting on December 05, 2012 be approved as presented.”

SECONDED BY A. LOGAN **CARRIED**

REPORTS:

Financial Report – Dugan, Crowley

MOVED BY J. LOPP, “to accept the Financial Reports for the months of November and December, 2012.”

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Director and Staff Reports: Crowley, Behe

- **Ricochet-Crowley** - John Bellina and Tasso Stathopoulos will be at the library Tuesday, Jan. 29th at noon for a meet and greet with library staff, Board and Foundation. All are encouraged to attend.
- **Open House-Crowley** - The Library Community Open House took place on January 11th from 4 to 6 pm at the Main Library. Approximately 150 people attended and about 50 participated in guided tours of the Library. Friends of The Library provided a donation of \$150 for purchase of food; they also brought desserts.
- **Legislative Day and MLA Legislative agenda- Logan, Crowley** - Logan and Crowley attended MLA Board meetings and training, and spent an afternoon at the Capital. They also attended the hearing for the MT State Library budget. Crowley explained the specific MLA budget requests.

How'd We Do? Report

- Morton noted that there were still a large amount of patrons expressing a desire for the used book sale. Morton commented that our Core Values does state “exceptional customer service” and perhaps further ideas for providing a used book sale should be investigated.
- Lopp pointed out that our elevator is not quite large enough for larger mobilized wheel chair. Once in the elevator, customers in larger chairs may not be able to turn the chair to access floor buttons. Crowley indicated that ringing the doorbell would alert staff to go and offer assistance.
- It was noted that the “How'd We do” should be printed for the Board packet and should be included in the official meeting minutes book.

Statistics-Behe

- December and Year-to-Date Statistics were presented.
- Public Computer Sessions and Wireless Internet Use numbers are down.
- FCLS Organizational Competencies are almost complete.
- Automated acquisitions and leaving CDs and DVDs in the cases has greatly increased efficiency.

Break called 10:40 am.

Meeting resumed 10:55 am.

Tamarack Federation- Weaver, Crowley

- During the Tamarack conference call, Weaver heard many positive comments and curiosity about the Main Library remodel.
- The annual Tamarack Federation meeting will be May 17 and 18 at Marina Cay in Bigfork.

Foundation Report-Lopp

- Donations to the Library Foundation have increased over last year.
- The FOL staff appreciation brunch will take place Feb. 15th from 10:30 until noon. Trustees are encouraged to attend.
- A search committee has been formed to plan for hiring a director for the Foundation.
- Loud at The Library is scheduled for March 21st, 2013 from 5:30 until 8:30 pm. Tickets are \$30 and available in the library business office.

OLD BUSINESS

Sanders County Bookmobile-Crowley explained that she has a meeting is set up for Friday, January 25, 2013 to discuss the future contract with Sanders County with the bookmobile librarian.

Glacier Discovery Square-Leistikio

- Whitefish Credit Union would like to clean up the property and put it on the market.

- Next steps will be concentrated on making a presentation to the County Commissioners.
- Crowley and Lopp have been trying to arrange meeting with new County Commissioner Gary Krueger.

NEW BUSINESS

Early closings on evening of holiday discussion –

- Crowley explained the tradition of closing at 5:00 pm on Christmas Eve, New Year's Eve and Thanksgiving eve. After looking at statistics for the hours between 3:00 and 5:00, Crowley recommended that we close at 3:00pm on Christmas Eve as there are very few people using the library during those hours and staff would appreciate that time off. The Board supported an early closing of 3pm on Christmas Eve in the future.
- Weaver discussed her future work and personal time commitments with the Board.

HOUSEKEEPING:

- **February 15th, 10-12 am. Friends of The Library staff appreciation brunch.**
- **March 21, 2013 5:30 to 8:30 pm, Loud at the Library.**
- **April 17-20th, 2013 MLA Conference, Missoula.**
- **May 17-18th, 2013 Tamarack Federation meeting, Marina Cay, Bigfork.**

Next Regular Meeting: WEDNESDAY, FEB 27 at the Main Library at 9:00am

ADJOURN: The Chair adjourned the meeting at 12:10 pm.