



LIBRARIES

**Library Board of Trustees Meeting
Wednesday, September 25, 2019 9:00 am
ImagineIF Kalispell
MEETING MINUTES**

Present: Connie Leistiko, Al Logan, Doug Adams (Board); Connie Behe, Teri Dugan (Staff); Charlotte Housel (Foundation).

A. Call to Order: C. Leistiko called the meeting to order at 9:13 am.

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

C. Approval of Minutes Wednesday, August 28, 2019 **(ACTION)**

Moved by A. Logan "to approve the August 28, 2019 Board Minutes as amended to reflect the actual Board retreat date as October 30th."

Seconded by D. Adams
Unanimous Vote

APPROVED

D. Reports

Moved by A. Logan "to accept the FY20 September Financial Report as presented."

Seconded by C. Leistiko
Unanimous Vote

ACCEPTED

A. Director and Staff Report

- Behe stated the Certificate of Liability has been updated and a copy sent to the City of Columbia Falls.
- Behe will attend the Montana Nonprofit Association Conference in Billings on October 2-4.
- Behe thanked Furman for being the lead manager in the Partners in Education project. Behe also thanked Furman for her leadership role in planning and organizing the All Staff training day for 2019.
- Behe shared that some services will pivot toward civics training, voter registration and census assistance in 2020. Libraries offer important services and assistance in these areas.
- The Friends of the Library book sale had a successful annual sale. Estimated sales are \$15,000.
- The Trustee Library Board Retreat is October 30th at the Museum at Central School.

B. "ImagineIF Partners in Education" presentation - Connie Behe

- Behe shared information about Partners in Education- a collection of resources designed to help educators and caregivers quickly connect with library collections, programs and services.

C. Foundation Report- Housel

- The Bias Brewing block party event is ready to go!
- Housel is working on the annual appeal letter. The letter will go to 2,000 recipients.

- Work on the Murdoch grant continues.
 - Housel thanked Behe for the invitation to the All Staff Training day.
- D. Facility Committee Report- Logan
- The October 7 facility committee meeting was rescheduled to Tuesday, October 8th.
 - The board continues to discuss ownership and funding possibilities for the new Bigfork facility.
 - Housel stated that the Library Foundation Board would like some direction from the Library Trustee board about the ownership of the Bigfork property by May 2020.

E. Old Business

- A. All Staff Day Recap
- Board members found the Intellectual Freedom Workshop very engaging and informative.
 - All Staff Day speaker, James LaRue from the Office of Intellectual Freedom was enjoyed by the Library board members that attended.

F. New Business

- A. Library Director Evaluation was signed and sent to the County Human Resources Department.

Logan commented on a letter from State Librarian, Jenny Stapp. The letter commended ImagineIF Libraries for meeting all Public Library Standards for 2019. Meeting these standards qualifies ImagineIF to receive state aid.

G. Housekeeping

Next Regular Meeting: Wednesday, October 23, 2019 9:30, Columbia Falls, MT.
Montana Nonprofit Association Conference, October 2-4, Billings, MT.
Library Board Retreat, Wednesday, October 30, 2019, 9am-4pm, Museum at Central School.
Public Library Association Conference, Nashville, TN, February 25-29th, 2020.
Montana Library Association Conference, Missoula, MT, April 1-4, 2020.

H. Adjourn 10:39 AM.