

Missoula Public Library
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
February 25, 2009
6:00 P.M.

ORDER The meeting was called to order by Chairman Neal Leathers

ROLL CALL Members present were: Neal Leathers, Christine Prescott, Beth Antonopulos, Rita Henkel, Brenda Jackson, and Margaret Wafstet

Others present: Claire Morton

CITIZENS COMMENTS
NONE

MINUTES Minutes of the January 28, 2009 meeting were approved. Motion by Christine Prescott, motion carried.

CLAIMS Correction noted for duplicate listing of signage expenses. Request for Paula to break out invoice costs when combined total is over \$100. Beth Antonopulos made a motion to accept the claims as presented, motion carried.

STATISTICS Claire noted that Frenchtown circ stats will now include the hour that Frenchtown High School is open to the public after school gets out. Beth Antonopulos asked for clarification on Interlibrary Loan (ILL) statistics. The ILL requests total is the number of requests received, not filled. The Lender category denotes the number of requests we were able to fill.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT In Board Packets

OLD BUSINESS

DVDs – The board was presented with information on a disc dispensing machine called DiscExpress II. The machine would provide relief for patrons and staff by automating the dvd retrieval process for TV shows and feature films. Rita Henkel made a motion to approve the purchase of the DiscExpress II machine pending the results of the mid-year budget review with the county on Friday. Motion carried.

LONG RANGE PLAN – Rita Henkel requested that the information presented to groups be somehow customized to the group rather than be generic. Christine Prescott stressed how important it is to have enough time to present and receive feedback from groups and that there should be no rush in the process. LRP meetings are scheduled through April but will likely continue after that.

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR POSITION - The position closes 2/26. As of 2/24 there were 11 applicants. The plan is to have the new person hired before Claire leaves to allow for a period of training.

REDESIGN – The paperback shelving is complete along the south wall. Remaining redesign issues to be considered are the security system and the lighting above the power walls. The alarm continues to sound unpredictably and Jim Semmelroth is working closely with our self check and security vendor to resolve this issue. We are waiting for a price quote on the lighting.

Other Old Business – NONE

NEW BUSINESS

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE – The library resource sharing bill (HB061) is heading to the Senate Local Government Committee next week after which it will go to the Full Senate.

Other New Business

LEADERSHIP TRAINING – Missoula County is offering Board Leadership Training. in March. Christine and Margaret would like to be signed up.

STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY – date change: was March 5th, is now April 21st.

NEXT MEETING – March 25, 2009 6:00 PM Board Room (LRP meeting at 5:00)

ADJOURNMENT – 7:35 PM

Respectfully submitted by: _____
Claire Morton, Assistant Director Date

Board representative: _____
Neal Leathers, Chairman Date