

**Missoula Public Library**  
**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING**  
**July 23, 2008**  
**1:20 P.M.**  
**Seeley Lake Branch**

**ORDER** The meeting was called to order by Chairman Neal Leathers

**ROLL CALL** Members present were: Christine Prescott, Beth Antonopulos, Rita Henkel, Honore Bray  
Members excused were: Brenda Jackson, and Margaret Wafstet

Others present: Sue Stone, Seeley Lake Library Technician

**CITIZENS COMMENTS** None

**MINUTES** Minutes of the June 18, 2008 meeting were approved with one correction. Motion by Rita Henkel, motion carried.

(June 18, correction – Christine Prescott was excused not present)

**CLAIMS** Christine Prescott made a motion to accept the claims as presented, motion carried.

**STATISTICS** There was a question about the views in Ancestry. Views are how many times a single item is viewed on the site.

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT** The FT school librarians and Heather have talked about the library remaining at the elementary during this year so the books don't need to be shifted again. The Superintendent has not been contacted at this time. The reasoning behind this request is because the books would need be shifted back to the high school and then back to the elementary next summer while the renovation is completed on the High School Library and then they could return one last time.

There have been requests by the 10-12 year old group to have more programming for them. Since the YA redesign they are feeling left out of the mix between kids and YA. Staff will be working on some ideas. Joyce is now providing a tween book discussion group.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**REDESIGN** – We are now working on the Reference Department. The YA and Kids have a few more touchups that need to be finished but the major projects are complete. We are waiting for the lighting in Reference so the new furniture can be moved in. Vaun has been busy shifting the reference collection to make room to move shelving and magazines which will in turn make room for the rest of the reconfiguration. Circulation will be last in the mix to begin work.

**JULY 9<sup>TH</sup> TRAINING** went well. The Friends of the Library bought pizza for lunch and Claire and Honore provided a morning snack and beverages. Sally and Cathy did a great job of explaining how each personality type communicates and people began to understand why they have a difficult time working with some individuals. This process is about the 'I' in the room and how can 'I' make things work in this mix. It was eye opening for most.

**30 DAY COMMITMENT REPORTS** from Board Training will be given at the next meeting in August.

**END OF YEAR BUDGET REVIEW** – Some taxes have not been collected and the library budget is still in good shape at the end of the year. The concern is for next year if that money is still outstanding. Everyone has been asked to watch their spending per quarter so we know money is coming into the budget.

**EXHIBIT POLICY** – Mike Sehestedt gave his approval on the exhibition policy so it can now go into effect.

**TRAVELERS REST** – The board at TR would like the Library Board to look at the old administration building and see if it would work for a branch. County Commissioner Larry Anderson is on that board and said they would continue to maintain the building. Honore

expressed her concern about the location of the TR but the TR board feels the community would not mind the location. Honore will contact Loren Flynn about the board visiting one morning in early August and then will contact the board members with a date and time. After assessing the building the Library Board will make plans on how to progress.

**Other Old Business**

**NEW BUSINESS**

The Library received a bequest of \$100,000.00 from the estate of Katherine Perkins a resident of Missoula and a Librarian in California. The money will be deposited in the Foundation Account.

SALARY ISSUES – Honore requested that all raises be given at the same time to library employees.

**NEXT MEETING** – August 27 2008

**ADJOURNMENT** 2:55 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_  
Honore D. Bray, Director Date

Board representative: \_\_\_\_\_  
Neal Leathers, Chairman Date