Missoula Public Library

**BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING MINUTES**

**April 24, 2024**

**6:00 pm**

**Missoula Public Library, Blackfeet Room & ZOOM online meeting**

# Citizen comments are very important to the Library Trustees. Policy states that public comment is limited to three minutes on each agenda item or three minutes at the beginning of the meeting on items not on the agenda.

# ORDER The meeting was called to order at 6:00 by Chair, Forrest Boughner

**ROLL CALL** Members present were Forrest Boughner, Julie Edwards, Peter Donaldson, Lisa Mecklenberg Jackson, Megan Moore (online), and Slaven Lee.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Jesse Kodadek (online),Will Klacynski (online), Brian West (online), Kayla Whitaker (online).

**CITIZEN COMMENTS ON ANYTHING NOT INCLUDED ON THE AGENDA**

**CONSENT AGENDA –**

1. Consent Agenda

Minutes – March 27, 2024 meeting

Claims – March 2024

Statistics – March 2024

Citizen Comments:

Discussion about: Adding Megan to minutes. Questions about self-checks. Curious about why Branch stats are down.

Lisa made a motion to accept the items on the consent agenda. Julie, 2nd the motion, motion carried.

1. **DIRECTOR’S REPORT**

**DNA Climber** – A representative from Parson, Behle, and Latimer will debrief the Board of Trustees in an Executive Session.

**Clyde Coffee update –** They are updating the space and ordering new furniture. Awaiting Health Department permits and will open as soon as possible. Already catering programs and events, including the Missoula Writes Awards Reception on 4/28.

**Watercolor anecdote –** One of the class members approached Slaven to say thanks and that she appreciates the opportunity for others to lead the class and she is having fun.

**Wage Advocacy** – Slaven plans to meet with Chris Lounsbury, County CAO, to discuss next steps and share more research about what was included in the Board letter to County Leadership.

**Inclusive Internship –** Based on a Public Library Association internship template, Slaven is recruiting a youth summer intern to help with programming and events. The Library Foundation is funding the position.

**MLA Awards** – MPL won Program of the Year for the Metal Fest, which Selya Avila accepted, and Library Friend of the Year went to the POV’s Homelessness Outreach Team. Two members of HOT attended the awards in Butte and accepted on behalf of the entire team.

1. **EXECUTIVE SESSION – DNA Climber**

Based on Brian West’s explanation of the process, Julie made a motion to go into Executive Session to speak to legal counsel. Lisa, 2nd the motion, motion carried.

1. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Citizen Comments:

1. **NEW BUSINESS**

Library Board of Trustees applications open. Two County spots and one spot open for the Mayor to appoint.

Peter has submitted his letter of interest and will step into a voting role, pending Commissioner approval.

Citizen Comments:

1. **SHARED TRAINING**

Sticky Situations – Discussion about minors and what guardians are allowed to know. Err of the side of caution and confidentiality (this training discussed the diff between privacy and confidentiality). Training for May: Niche Academy – Censorship and Library Boards

**Next meeting will take place at the Missoula Public Library and online: May 22.**

# ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted by:

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Slaven Lee, Director Date

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Forrest Boughner, Chair of the Trustees Date