

Butte-Silver Bow Public Library

Celebrating Butte and Connecting Our Community

Butte-Silver Bow Public Library Board of Trustees

Approved meeting minutes - Aug 17, 2016 5pm

Attendance: T. Egervary, D. Abrams, P. Diedrich, S. Callaghan, J. Conlan & S. Johnson

Public Comment on agenda items: K. Stark [staff] commented on her wish to see Young Adult cards reinstated, due to their popularity with young people. Egervary asked if that was consensus of all staff, K. Stark answered that it was the consensus of staff who "actually deal with the kids". Egervary thanked her for input.

Approval of minutes from July meeting - action Abrams motioned, Conlan seconded, approved.

Librarian's Report, incl. financials and statistics Johnson requested change of meeting date to allow her to present at Fall Workshops in Polson, also asked if any Trustees were interested in MT Library Association membership. Abrams, Conlan and Diedrich requested memberships. Johnson reported that Council has approved budget for current fiscal year, discussion of book budget and approval of ADA door for safe access to deck space.

Old Business: Johnson reviewed some suggestions from staff to the draft Policy Manual:

- YA cards reinstated: restatement that this is a meaningful upgrade to young people and should continue for their benefit. This brought up discussion of video lending policy: video materials cannot be checked out on a Children's card but may be checked out on either YA or Adult card. Concern that the Library could potentially provide NC-17 or R rated material to a person under 17. Discussion followed on variety of solutions & concerns. Callaghan motioned to reinstate previous [2012] policy and practice, Conlan seconded: passed with one 'nay' vote. Johnson will draft edits and distribute to Trustees by email ASAP.
- Internet safety policy page suggested, Johnson will find pre-2012 page for Board review.
- Change page name from "Patron request" to "Citizen request", deemed not necessary. Some discussion of practices.

New Business

- Vision Quest - Callaghan suggested a Board retreat/event to brainstorm Library development goals, objectives & plans. Callaghan motioned for a Board retreat, Diedrich seconded. Conlan asked if the State Library might facilitate, Johnson reported yes, and will contact them. Discussion of possible facilitators, topics, structure, dates, etc. Approved by vote, discussion of dates produced tentatively October 28 & 29 [Friday evening and Saturday morning], Callaghan and Johnson will be in contact on further info.

Public Comment on non-agenda items - none

Next meeting Weds. Sep. 7th, 2016 – confirmed Egervary related that the General Consul of France recently toured Butte and reported that he thought Butte very suitable for an artist's community. Conlan related similar comments from colleagues and friends about Butte and Butte community generally: very supportive of art and artists.

Adjourn - action Abrams motioned, Callaghan seconded, adjourned.




T. Egervary, Chair


S. Johnson, Director