

**Great Falls Public Library
Board of Trustees
Monday, June 16, 2014
4:30 p.m.**

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Mr. Mitch Tropila, Ms. Mary Brinkley, Ms. MaryEllen Kropp, Ms. Judy Riesenber, and Ms. Dea Nowell

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Ms. Kathy Mora and Ms. Korri Shupe.

GUESTS PRESENT: None.

Ms. Riesenber called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

I. CONSENT ITEMS

Ms. Nowell noticed we received our parking revenue. Ms. Mora said that a proposal to increase parking fees will be presented to the commission in July. If approved that would mean additional revenue to us as well.

Ms. Nowell moved and Ms. Brinkley seconded the motion to approve the consent items as presented. MOTION . . . passed unanimously.

II. OPERATING VOUCHERS

Ms. Nowell moved and Mr. Tropila seconded the motion to approve the consent items as presented. MOTION . . . passed unanimously.

III. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Ms. Mora began her report by discussing the 2015 budget. We will be closing Mondays and had to reduce staff for our upcoming budget year. We will no longer offer City Bookmobile service but will continue with the County runs. Mr. Tropila asked which staff members the cuts affected. Ms. Mora listed the positions that were cut: Frank Rommel, Sandy Lenahan, Matt Donnelly, Marie Gray, Paul Lloyd-Davies, David Leonardelli. Staff that had their hours reduced were Evelyn Goldinger, Sue Sargent, Eva McDunn, Debbie Stuart, Susie McIntyre and Kathy Wight. Sean Anderson took another job in state and resigned; therefore, Alice Kestler was able to take his position instead of being laid off. Mr. Tropila asked if the \$117,452 we cut was all in personnel. The total we cut in personnel was \$114,000. He also questioned if prior to FY2014 and FY2015 if the city had given us that additional \$100,000 we've lost. Ms. Mora told him yes.

We've had good attendance of our Civil War 150th Anniversary series. We've had 493 people attend the events and still have one more on June 19.

Our Summer Reading Program is in progress and as of June 10 we have 176 kids and 2 young adults participating. The Central Montana Radio has donated a bike as the grand prize and it will be awarded at the summer reading party August 7.

At the last meeting the board requested we gather more information on how often we do proctoring services and out of area research requests. Proctoring is done an average of 10 times

a month and we receive an average of 12 research requests per month. The staff recommendation for both of these fees is \$10.00.

Ms. Mora wanted to note that the State Library did put \$15,000 in their budget to support courier services for ILL.

The Friends of the Libraries book sales total was \$5700 this year.

Ms. Mora talked with Bunny Albers last week and she wanted to let everyone know she was sorry to hear about the library cuts.

IV. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

V. BOARD REPORTS

Mr. Tropila asked about the weeding of the Non-Fiction books that Susie and her staff are working on. Ms. Mora explained that Susie is following the collection management policy but sometimes discarding books is sometimes difficult for patrons and staff to see.

Mr. Tropila commended Kathy for the way she handles the various staff issues that arise.

Mr. Tropila asked if we received the PPL Grant. Ms. Mora said we did not this year and we would have had a difficult time with MakerSpace this year with Sean gone.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

Ms. Brinkley moved and Ms. Nowell seconded the motion to approve the Proctor and Out of Area Research Fess to \$10.00 per transaction. MOTION . . . passed unanimously.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Kropp moved and Ms. Brinkley seconded the motion to approve the new day for Board Meetings to be held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month. MOTION . . . passed unanimously.

Ms. Brinkley moved and Mr. Troplia seconded the motion to approve the revised Holiday Schedule as presented. MOTION . . . passed unanimously.

VIII. PROPOSALS FROM TRUSTEES

IX. REPORTS FROM OTHERS

X. ADJORNMENT AT 5:05 P.M.