Director's Report Great Falls Public Library Board of Trustees Meeting February 16, 2016

1. On February 8, The **GFPL Foundation** approved funding requests in the amount of \$25,000 for materials. In addition, \$13,156 was approved to go toward installing self-check units in the Circulation Department. That amount will not cover all costs associated with the project, but we will request additional funds in early fall.

The Foundation also received \$5,000 from the **Davidson Family Trust**. One half of the funds will be dedicated to the Book-A-Thon for purchase of juvenile materials. The remaining half has been earmarked for continuing education expenses for library staff. If any board members are interested in attending conference this year, please let me know. You can find conference information at www.mtlib.org.

- 2. Our **automation system migration** is scheduled for February 22-24. During that time, we will still be able to the system to checkout, check-in, run inquiries against the databases and use the online catalog. Placing holds and notification of filled holds and overdues will not be available until the migration is complete.
- 3. We are currently re-advertising for the **Youth Services Librarian** position. First review of applications will be after February 19, although the position will stay open until filled.
 - In addition, **Gwen Carter**, Circulation Supervisor, has submitted her resignation effective March 31. Gwen has been a valuable and dedicated staff member for 30 years and we will miss her greatly. We will be deciding how to proceed with advertising that position in the weeks ahead.
- 4. You have received the proposed revision of the **Library Ordinance** (along with supplemental documentation) and it has been placed on the agenda for discussion under New Business. I will take all of your comments (and any from the public as well) to the City Manager and City Attorney when we meet after your board meeting.
- **5.** A reminder that, time permitting, the Library Board will meet for dinner at Bert & Ernie's before attending the City Commission meeting at 7:00 this evening. There will be no agenda, no deliberations, no decisions made, and no minutes taken or prepared.