

**Director's Report
Great Falls Public Library
Board of Trustees Meeting
March 15, 2016**

1. I have met with the City Attorney and the City Manager regarding the proposed draft of the **library ordinance**. Based on feedback from the board, the public and myself, the City Attorney is putting together a revision and the board will have the opportunity to review it before it goes to the Commission.

In addition, I will bring proposed language changes to the **Library Board Bylaws** for your review. The changes are regarding approval and payment of library expenditures by the library director, with the board confirming them at the next regular board meeting. Although this has been the practice for many years, it has not actually been spelled out in the bylaws.

2. Our **automation system migration** has been completed; however, we still have a couple of outstanding issues that **Sara Kegel** and our vendor are working on. For the most part, the migration went well. We have worked through most of the problems and hope to have the remaining issues resolved very soon. Thank you to Sara for all of her work on this complex project.
3. We held interviews for the **Youth Services** position on March 7. After interviewing 6 applicants, the committee was in consensus on who to offer the position to. Human Resources is currently checking references and performing a background check after which the position can be offered to the applicant. The selection committee (Korri Shupe, Gwen Carter, Susie McIntyre, Sue Sargent, Liz Lee from HR and myself) considered the candidates carefully and methodically. I look forward to announcing our new Youth Services Librarian to you.
4. We have received a \$1,500 donation from **Marshall Orthodontics** to support special programs for the Summer Reading Program. This is the third year they have supported Summer Reading in this manner. As you remember, **Jamie Marshall** attended our last board meeting and voiced her support for the library and the services we offer for the children in the community.
5. The **Seed Exchange** will officially open on April 16 with a reception on the second floor. **Mayor Kelly** will “cut the ribbon” and we will have representatives from NeighborWorks and area community gardens, along with volunteers who have helped get the project off the ground. I don't have a time for the reception yet, but will let you know as soon as possible.
6. A reminder that we will have a farewell potluck luncheon for **Gwen Carter**, Circulation Supervisor, on March 31 from noon – 2:00. Feel free to bring your favorite dish as you come to wish Gwen all the best in her new adventures!