



**Minutes of a Special Meeting of the
Coeur d'Alene Public Library Board of Trustees
September 11, 2014**

Trustees Present:

Steve McCrea
Fay Sweney

Doug Fagerness
Ann Smart

Others:

Kiki Miller, liaison
Matt Handleman, school superintendent
Christa Hazel, school board chair
Keith Erickson, city communications
Bette Ammon, director
Ruth Pratt, library foundation
Kelly Lattin, library foundation

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 4:04 P.M.

Discussion of school/community library concept. At the August 27 meeting, the Library Board amended the Long Range Plan by adding an objective to Goal #5: "Explore the concept of partnering with a school library to offer public library services." Per the Board's direction, a committee of interested persons convened. The discussion centered on the advantages of a joint school/community library specifically located in a school in the northwest area of Coeur d'Alene. Under consideration for the sake of this discussion are Skyway Elementary School, Woodland Middle School, and Lake City High School.

A variety of details were discussed with all parties agreeing that the concept is worth exploring including other stakeholders. Action – Superintendent Handleman will touch base with school district stakeholders. Ms. Hazel will send information to other school board members. Keith Erickson will keep city administrators informed.

Bette will gather more information from successful partnerships between public libraries and school libraries, as well as data from the pilot Fernan project that took place this past summer.

Adjournment: Adjourned 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Bette Ammon