

**Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the
Coeur d'Alene Public Library Board of Trustees
January 23, 2013**

Trustees Present:

Doug Fagerness
Steve McCrea
Fay Sweney
Ann Smart

Others:

Rachel Averett, student rep
Marissa Rivera-Prpich, alt rep
Bette Ammon, director

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 4:08 P.M. by Vice Chairman McCrea.

Consent Calendar: Discussion about microfilm per Christopher's board report. Questions about converting to a digital reader or even digitizing the entire collection of back issues of the Coeur d'Alene Press. It's an expensive endeavor but one that the library staff will pursue. Motion to approve Sweney; second, Fagerness. Approved.

Friends/Foundation: The Friends approved \$6500 toward children's and young adult programming, additional ebook content, and support for historical programs in April and May in celebration of Idaho's 150th territorial anniversary. The Foundation is working on their February 15 fundraising featuring the vocal talents of executive director Ruth Pratt. The Foundation board will have their annual retreat on February 7th.

Student Representatives: Discussion about ebooks and teen use. Both Rachel and Marissa prefer paper books to digital. Marissa says she does not connect to the text the same way. Rachel noted that there's more depth to real books and ereaders have not really caught on at her school.

Personnel: We've hired four new circulation clerks – Holly Hulse, Laura Jenkins, Morgan Breisch, and Jane Elmer. The young adult services coordinator recruitment closing date is January 25.

Legislators: Per Fay's suggestion a letter to state legislators was sent offering library services. The personal property tax issue is one that the state library association is monitoring. Bette will keep the Board informed on how this progresses.

Next Meeting: March 6 at 4pm – encompassing February and March meetings based on board member availability.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn, Fagerness; second, Sweney. Adjourned 5:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Bette Ammon