

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Coeur d'Alene Public Library Board of Trustees

May 22, 2013

Trustees Present:

Katie Sayler
Steve McCrea
Fay Sweney
Doug Fagerness
Ann Smart

Others:

Paul Amador, U of I
Bette Ammon, director

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 4:05 P.M. by Chairman Sayler.

Public Comment: Paul Amador presented information about a new academic program that the University of Idaho is making available at their CdA site – a bachelor's degree in English with an emphasis in literature. The classes begin in the fall and will be delivered face to face with an instructor or compressed video from a Moscow classroom. This fall the classes will be literary theory and contemporary fiction. Amador discussed the university's desire to participate with area libraries in programs.

Consent Calendar: Request to add seed saver to Old business/Fagerness. Request to pull department reports/Sweney. Motion to approve remainder of Consent Calendar, Smart; second, McCrea. Approved.

Department reports: Sweney asked for further information on the Edward Zigler Award that the library will be receiving later this month. This Head Start award is given regionally and nationally to organizations who offer innovative programs to Head Start facilities. Library staff – Susan Thorpe and Barbara Nolan – regularly visit Head Start bringing books and programming. They will be receiving the award later in May and more information should be available then. Motion to approve department reports, Sweney; second, Fagerness. Approved.

Friends/Foundation: The Foundation hosted a very successful program in conjunction with the CdA Summer Theater. "Bits and Pieces" featured a readers theater to a sold out crowd. The Friends will be meeting next week.

Freegal product: The contract with Freegal has been signed and we hope to have this online music service provided to the public soon. The cost to the CdA library will be in the \$5000 range with the Friends contributing \$2000.

Logo discussion: The Board looked at and commented on five potential logo designs. Ammon gathered their comments and will take them to the committee who will make the final decision next week.

Volunteer breakfast: This annual event to honor library volunteers is scheduled for Saturday, June 8 at 9am. Entertainment will be the local juggling group Fuze.

Seed saver: Fagerness would like to move forward planning a seed saver program with library involvement. He has talked to other groups who would like to be involved. Ammon will set up a time to meet.

Roku and ebook readers: The library will soon begin circulating two Roku devices that will allow patrons to watch Netflix offerings and other video programming at home. In addition library staff are

planning to check out at least two e-book readers that will be pre-loaded with bestselling fiction and nonfiction books.

Budget and city strategic planning: Ammon distributed the library's draft budget which was submitted to the city this week. The annual city strategic planning meeting has been rescheduled for June 6.

Next meeting: June 26, 2013, 4 p.m.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn, Fagerness; second, Smart. Adjourned 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Bette Ammon