

Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Coeur d'Alene Public Library Board of Trustees July 28, 2010

Trustees Present: Kathleen Saylor, Chairman
Ann Smart
Steve McCrea
Fay Sweney

Others: Bette Ammon, Director

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 4:10 P.M. by Chairman Saylor.

Consent Calendar: Motion by Smart and seconded by McCrea to accept the consent Calendar. All board members voted aye. Motion carried.

Friends/Foundation: Having receiving the grant for the ReTool Box laptop lab, the Foundation is developing curriculum, session schedules, and trainers. The programs begin in September. The Friends continue to support the cultural programming that is developed and overseen by David. They are sponsoring a recently graduated archeologist who is presenting three programs in August.

CIN Budget: Bette reported that the CIN executive team is continuing to meet with the ValNet team to discuss the recent adjustments in the WIN budget. The WIN board's desire to balance the budget by increasing costs significantly to CIN and ValNet libraries prices these consortia out. The CdA Library board recommends that CIN representatives go to the next WIN Board meeting with recommendations to either revise the budget, adjust administrative costs, or completely restructure WIN. Have we looked at other consortia we can join? What about ADA County? Bette will report back.

Parking Lot: The issue of regulating parking in the library parking lot by allowing 2 hour increments will likely come up on the Parking Commission's agenda this fall. Parking continues to be a problem although the police department and streets departments were helpful in controlling library parking during the big events this summer.

Legislative issues: At this time the biggest legislative issue facing public libraries next year will be a bill requiring libraries to filter internet access. The Law Task Force and Legislative Committees of the Idaho Library Association met this summer to discuss our response. All agreed that locally appointed or elected library board trustees handle these issues well at local levels. We'll be recommending that such a bill is unnecessary.

Study Room Policy: The library staff feels the need to stipulate by policy that the study rooms are not to be used for commercial purposes nor are they to serve as classrooms for ongoing classes. After much discussion the Board modified the presented policy proposal. Motion to approve McCrea; second, Sweney. Approved.

Budget: Bette presented the draft budget based on figures at this time. The final budget hearing is scheduled for the September 7 city council meeting.

Kindles: Has the library considered purchasing some kindles and checking them out to patrons? Some larger libraries are doing this. Bette will investigate further.

Next Meeting: The next regular meeting will be held August 25 at 4:00 at the library. Smart will be in Boise.

Adjournment: Motion to adjourn by Sweney, seconded by Smart. Adjourned 5:25.

Respectfully submitted,
Bette Ammon, library director