

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

May 28, 2008

Trustees Present: Kathleen Saylor, Chairman
Kathy Canfield-Davis
Steve McCrea
Ann Smart
Fay Sweney

Others Present: Deanna Goodlander, Council Liaison
Bette Ammon, Director
Suzanne Podrabsky, Administrative Asst.

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 4:30 P.M. by Chairman Saylor.

Consent Calendar: Motion by McCrea and seconded by Sweney to accept the calendar. Motion carried.

Budget Update: The Director met with the City Administrator and City Finance director to discuss library budget requests for the next fiscal year. There is concern that revenues will not be available for all of the priorities established by the City Council at the strategic planning meeting. ~~staffing levels and what was essential to begin the new fiscal year. If one full time position and 3 part time positions were added, the library could wait six months for the 2nd full time position and 12 months for the page positions.~~ The executive team will meet the following week to work on the budget.

The Board feels that education of the staff, council and public needs to continue. Awareness of the Library's increased use needs to be communicated.

Public hearings will begin in July.

Volunteer Breakfast: The Friends of the Library are sponsoring a breakfast to honor volunteers and staff Saturday, May 31st.

City Employee Recognition: The City recognized over 90 employees who have served from 5 – 30 years. This was the first year part time employees were included and was a good moral boost for all.

Friends of the Library: The Friends are having good success in their bookstore and continue to support the library regularly. This past month they voted to purchase additional wooden chairs for the upper level. In addition they granted some funds for materials because demand for new books has escalated.

~~have generously agreed to supplement the materials budget by granting \$10,000 for books/audios, etc. and another \$4,000 for chairs to complete our wooden tables.~~

June Meeting: The June meeting will be tentatively set for 6/24/08 at 4:00.

Adjournment: Motion was made by McCrea and seconded by KCD to adjourn at 5:30.

Respectively submitted,

Suzanne Podrabsky,
Administrative Asst.