

MINUTES

ROLL CALL: Fern Kaufman, Diane Leja, Martha Muellenberg, Kelsey Collier-Wise, Gabrielle Strouse

ABSENT: Greg Redlin

OTHERS PRESENT: Daniel Burniston

On a motion by Collier-Wise, seconded by Leja, the minutes of the February 28, 2018 meeting were approved. All present voted aye.

On a motion by Collier-Wise, seconded by Muellenberg, the February proposed expenditures were approved. All present voted aye.

REPORTS:

Foundation – The Foundation has received the Siegrist and Anderson distributions for 2018. The Foundation plans to move forward with setting up an endowment to ensure future stability for the Foundation. We will be working on implementing the recently approved 2018 purchases through the course of this year.

Friends – The Friends are supporting the purchase of 12 VOX books at cost of \$509.22. These audio enabled children's books will read the book to the child. The Friends are also supporting the purchase of PlayAway Launchpads that we will try circulating for 1 week. These are locked down tables that come with preloaded leaning and literacy apps and do not require Wi-Fi to operate. Once we've seen how these new formats work out for patrons we may consider adding more in the future.

OLD BUSINESS:

Our FY2017 Public Library Survey response was present to and accepted by the City Council on March 5th. The certification sheet has been signed by the Mayor. The report has been submitted to the State Library and they have acknowledged receipt. A copy of the report along with the 2017 Data Digest from the state library, and our own in house created infographic poster has been submitted to the County Auditor. The Library Director has offered to present a library update to the County Commissioners whenever convenient to them, as we have done in previous years.

NEW BUSINESS:

On a motion by Leja, seconded by Muellenberg, revisions to the bylaws were approved. All present vote aye. Revisions included a change in wording to indicate the board would meet monthly unless otherwise specified. The specific time of the third Thursday at 7pm was removed to allow for more flexibility in adjusting to board members schedules. For consistency, the plan is for regular meeting to be held on the third Thursday at 12pm, unless scheduling conflicts arise for multiple board members. The last paragraph of Article III was moved to be the last paragraph under Article VI as it better fits this section, no change was made in wording. Under Title II in the last sentence a correction was made to change 'maters' to 'matters.'

The Library Director provided an update regarding the status of the FY2019 Federal budget cycle and the impact of the proposed cuts to library funding at the federal level. The Library Director noted that the deadline to contact our South Dakota representatives to encourage them to sign the letter to the appropriations committee that is circulating in the house and senate in support of continuing library funding is March 19th.

The Library Director reported on the Human Library event that is being planned in partnership with the USD University Libraries for April 28th. The program currently has several applications from volunteers to be books, however, we are still seeking more to reach our goal of approximately twelve.

A demonstration was provided to board members of the two newest electronic resources provided by the South Dakota State Library – BookFlix and Pronunciator.

On a motion by Collier-Wise, seconded by Muellenberg, the purchase of new lounge furniture to go in front of the new books area using library checking account funds was approved. All present vote aye.

The next meeting will be Friday, April 20th, 2018 at 11:30am.

On a motion by Collier-Wise, seconded by Leja, the meeting was adjourned at 12:23 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel Burniston
Library Director