

BOARD MINUTES

FEBRUARY 17, 2015

PRESENT: LENNIE HANSEN, PENNY NOLAND, LIESL HOLTZ, BEULAH BIEGALKE, CODY McDONALD, JEANNE LILLEGARD

Chairman Liesl Holtz called the meeting to order. Minutes and financial reports were reviewed and approved. Correspondence (letter from the Montana Community Foundation) had been received by all members in their board packet.

The building project was the first order of old business. Project chairman Carolyn Jette is away for the winter, but Jeanne was able to brief the board on major happenings since the last meeting.

Altogether, around \$215,000 has been raised for the building project. After buying the raffle prizes, paying for the mailing, and paying the architect, the library guild had a balance of around \$158,000. They put \$150,000 into six month CD's so now have \$8000 in available funds to draw upon.

In January, Jeanne received a letter from the Central Montana Community Foundation (copies in board packets). An anonymous donor has offered to match any funds raised AFTER January 14, 2015 up to the sum of \$250,00.00. The donor and CMF do not care how the money is raised—it is acceptable to come from other grants and foundations. Jeanne and Norma are working on several grant applications. Liesl will take charge of the Central Montana Foundation grant which is due April 1. From the amounts she has seen awarded in the past, she thought we should request \$10,000, but we could feel this out from Mike Zacher. Mike is still in Arizona, but Jeanne will try to contact him.

Continuing with old business, the board adopted the internet access policy it had been working on the pass couple of months. The motion to accept was made by Beulah and seconded by Lennie. The new policy was signed by the members present.

Jenni and Norma have completed their individual projects for the Montana Memory Project. Their work should be online by March or April. Norma has been asked to sit on a panel presentation at the MLA convention in April.

Librarian's report—Stats: Show we are doing OK. Libri grant: Jeanne has applied for Stanford as we are eligible every three years. Jenni applied for Hobson and has received a grant. South Central Federation meeting March 21 in Joliet: Jeanne will not be able to attend, but Boots will try. National Library Week: Week of April 12. Vicki will again feature Judith Basin readers (Buffalo area this year). She and Jeanne will meet the readers at the Hobson Library and probably offer lunch. Summer Reading Program: Theme is "Every Hero Has a Story". Supplies have been ordered. Meeting room policy: Jenni has requested we set up some guidelines for the Hobson meeting room.

The next meeting has been set for April 14 at 3:30.