

Missoula Public Library
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
August 22, 2018
6:00 PM
Director's Office

ORDER The meeting was called to order at 6:00 by Chair Rita Henkel

ROLL CALL Members present were: Matt English, Audra Loyal, Margaret Wafstet, Becky Mosbacher, Rita Henkel, Barbara Berens and Honore Bray.

OTHER Karl Olson, Foundation for Missoula Public Library, Brandon Prinzing A&E Architects, Dagmara Larson MSR Design

MINUTES Becky Mosbacher made a motion to accept the minutes of July 25, 2018 meeting as presented. Motion carried
Becky Mosbacher made a motion to accept the minutes of the August 6, 2018 special meeting as presented. Motion carried
Becky Mosbacher made a motion to accept the minutes of the August 13, 2018 special meeting as presented. Motion carried

CITIZENS COMMENTS – None

CLAIMS Margaret Wafstet made a motion to accept the July, 2018 claims as presented. Motion carried.

STATISTICS Discussion took place concerning some of the numbers that seem to be repeated or the cell isn't working correctly. Honore will check with the providers of stats.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Trapper Peak 2nd Quarter payment of 88.78 has been received

Coal Severance Tax money in the form of State Aid should be back in 2019 if the Legislature doesn't change the ruling from the last Legislative Session which removed State Aid for 2 years due to the level of revenue in the State. A letter from the State Library explained how and when to expect the money. Federation money should be dispersed in October.

Erica Johnson will be completing an internship with the U of M Social Work program. She will spend time preparing a survey and administering it to collect information she can analyze to determine if any, what type of service should be best for the library. She will also debrief with staff when they have uncomfortable encounters with the public. Once determined what type of service the library needs she will develop a program and look for funding. The Library is very excited to have the service of Erica and the U of M as a partner in the process.

MPEA Union has merged with MEA/AFT so our staff now belong to a new Union. Now that they have a constitution, and officers we can begin the process for negotiations.

The County Budget will be voted on August 27, and we will then know the parameters of our budget.

On Thursday August 23, there will be a pre-construction meeting with builders and the Architects. It will take place in the 6th floor Board Room at the First Interstate Bank.

Honore is on vacation from September 4 – 20. She can be contacted if needed.

Unfinished Business

Building Project: Dagmara Larson did a presentation to remind everyone where the project began and where we are now. She explained how the timeline will break down furniture and millwork in the next year and as the project gets closer to closure the library will then know a date to begin moving in. In March of 2019 signage will be determined. There is not money for a monumental sign at this time but it is a possibility for fundraising.

Brandon pointed out that the block has 4-5 weeks of prep work which will begin after Labor Day. Once the prep work is complete the site will become more active.

The trees were removed a week ago and it was evident in many that it was the end of life. Just as a reminder the City Arborist determined that the trees were of an age that they would not survive construction so they should be removed. Native trees will replace the Maples that were taken down. There will be more trees replace than were removed.

Fundraising Update: Karl Olson reported that the Foundation turned 6.7 million dollars over to Missoula County last week and will continue to raise \$700k more to put fundable items back into the budget.

An all Boards meeting will be scheduled for October 18th, at 6 PM, in the large meeting room. Food will be served.

OTHER OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS

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Next meeting: Wednesday, September 26, 2018 in the Director's Office at 6:00 PM

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted by:

Honore D. Bray, Director

Date

Rita Henkel, Chair of the Trustees

Date