

Billings Public Library
May 11, 2017
12:00 pm

MINUTES

Present: Chair Stella Fong, Vice Chair Bernard Rose, Cheryle Fisher, Bill Lamdin, Alex Martin, Jennifer Quinn, Roger Young, Gavin Woltjer, Library Director; Tori Koch, Assistant Library Director; Kathy Robins, Systems Administrator; Mary Murphrey, Administrative Coordinator. Guests: Leslie Modrow, Library Foundation Development Director.

Public Comment

None

Chair's comments

Fong reported that:

- The Library Board Trustee terms have been updated.
- Martin will not renew his 2nd term as a County Board representative.

Rose reported that his term on the Board will expire at the end of the year. He encouraged others to run for Chair and Vice Chair.

~~MOTION: Move to retain Fong as Library Chair and Rose as Vice Chair through December 2017.~~

~~Approved _____ Rose/Lamdin~~

Consent Agenda

MOTION: Approve the consent agenda.

Approved _____ Fisher/Lamdin

Community Forum and Coffee with the Director (update)

Woltjer reported that two of the four forums have been held. He noted that the people who attended the forums volunteered lots of good information. He reported that the dates for the next forums are May 18 at 6:30 p.m. and May 22 at noon.

Woltjer reported that one person attended the first Coffee with the Director. He noted that the dates for the next Coffee with the Director meetings are May 15, June 5 and 9, July 17 and 24, and August 7 and 21 from 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Strategic Plan (update)

Woltjer reported that he contacted the Neighborhood Task Forces about meeting with them to discuss the Library. He noted that three of the eight have gotten back to him. Woltjer noted that he will be presenting at a Rotary Club meeting in June. He also reported that to date fifteen responses have been received from the online survey.

Budget (update)

Woltjer thanked the other managers for doing an outstanding job preparing the FY18 budget and presentation to City Council. He noted that there are no new employees or capital projects planned for next fiscal year. He reported that he is hopeful that the Library will receive its' full five mills in FY18.

One Book Billings (update)

Rose reported that One Book Billings has expanded and now includes Red Lodge. He noted that he has received a positive response on the books chosen for this year. Rose reported that he has begun the process of picking new books for next year.

FOL Book Sale (update)

Woltjer noted that the FOL exceeded its' goal of \$6,000 from the book sale. He reported that the next book sale will be held in October.

Civil Conversation Series

Woltjer reported that the conversation series are going very well. He noted that the next panel discussion is Civility in America scheduled for May 25. He thanked Modrow for getting the series started.

Director Evaluation

Fong encouraged the Board to submit written comments about Woltjer's performance to date. Fong noted that the comments will go into a letter to the City Administrator in the fall.

Adjourned at 12:45 p.m.