

June 18, 2015

## **MINUTES**

**Present:** Chair Sara Hudson, Vice Chair Stella Fong, Sue Bach, Bill Lamdin, Alex Martin, Betty Richardson, Bernard Rose, Bill Cochran, Library Director; Dee Ann Redman, Assistant Library Director, Mary Murphrey, Administrative Coordinator; Guests: Shari Nault.

### **Public Comment**

Hudson welcomed Nault to the meeting.

### **Consent Agenda**

MOTION: Approve the consent agenda.

Approved

Rose/Lamdin

### **Foundation report on Food for Thought**

Cochran reported that the gross sales from Food for Thought was \$25,500 plus another \$2,150 raised for the TECH Lab. He reported that Bob Griffin will replace Kathy Cross as the Foundation Board of Directors President.

### **Friends report on Book Sale**

Bach reported that the book sale was well attended and extremely successful earning \$6,000. She noted that they sent 80 boxes of books to Better World Books. Bach reported that May Book Nook sales were down from April.

### **High Plains Book Awards Committee Finalists report**

Nault noted that there were thirty finalist books and that the Awards Banquet will be held October 3 at the Yellowstone Art Museum.

Rose reported that One Book Billings will sponsor five books, three novels, one nonfiction and one book of short stories. He noted that the books are either Montana authors or about Montana.

### **Building project update**

Cochran reported that:

- The OAC will have its last conference call this afternoon.
- The construction fence will start coming down on Monday.
- There is still landscaping to complete.
- There is a punch list for the contractor.
- Signage will be installed when it is fabricated and delivered.
- The parking kiosk should be installed in a week or two. Parking will be enforced by the Parking Division.
- The replacement of the dead dogwoods located on the east side of the building is not covered by insurance and could cost \$4,000 to \$5,000 to replace.

- The *Billings Gazette* had an article about the upcoming tobacco free campus.
- The mediation continues and most likely will not be completed until this fall.
- A rededication event is planned for October 1.
- He is working with the Gazette on another location for the time capsule.
- He is hopeful that the Library will host a book exhibit of children book jackets. The exhibit is called “Tattered Covers and All-Night Reads: The Great Children’s Books our Parents Loved.

**Governance Committee**

- Candidates for Board Officers memo – Rose noted that the Library Board Development Committee’s recommended Fong for Library Board Chair and Lervick as Vice-Chair.
- Letter of recommendation for County Trustee application - Cochran noted that the County Commissioners have requested a recommendation for Ms. Cheryle Fisher to fill the upcoming vacant County position.

MOTION: Direct staff to write a letter of recommendation for Cheryle Fisher.

Approved

Rose/Fong

Cochran reviewed the Library’s FY15 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter statistics.

Adjourned 1:00 p.m.