

B. Foundation Report: Harvey

1. The Foundation is in the process of re-designation with the IRS to make it easier for Family Foundations to give gifts.
2. The Foundation will remain a 501c3.
3. Two new Foundation board members are Jay Johnson and Kristen Hamilton
4. A social event for all library affiliates is being planned along with the Montana Book Award ceremony on April 23, 2009 at the main library. The Foundation will help sponsor the evening with donations of food from local restaurants.
5. A planned giving program is underway and taking shape
6. The Foundation is continuing to develop matching gifts for the challenge of new furniture in the Bigfork Branch Library.
7. The foundation began in 1989, making this its 20th anniversary.

C. Facilities Committee Report – Leistikio

1. The Committee has looked at 14 sites and is making an A & B list.
2. Leistikio thinks it premature to repeatedly use old building cost figures in every news article.
3. There needs to be a record of public comments on the location of a main library.

E. Director's Report: Crowley

a. February statistics

1. February checkouts are up 7.54% system-wide over last February.
2. Checkouts YTD have increased 16.07% system-wide.
3. Building traffic for the period Nov/Feb is up 10.50% over the same period last year.

b. Correspondence

1. The Board received copies of the final Performance Measures and Goals & Objectives that are part of the County budget process.
2. A thank you card was received from Karen Marr for the Board's thoughtfulness during her husband's recent surgery.

c. Other

1. Brett Fisher has completed his MLS degree at the University of Washington
2. The amnesty period for Unique Management was a great success and was met with very positive response. The Board asked to have a copy of the letter that is sent to the patrons.
3. Crowley reminded the Board that the Tamarac Federation meeting is March 27, 2009 in Darby, MT. In regard to the Tamarack Federation meeting it was MOVED BY J LOPP, "that the Board give it's proxy to Kim Crowley in the event that no Board member is present."

SECONDED BY C LEISTIKIO

CARRIED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

A. Board member MLA registrations, meals

1. Crowley asked the Board members to please turn in their registrations for the MLA Conference in April.

NEW BUSINESS:

A. FY10 draft budget

1. The Board reviewed the budgets for all three of the Library funds and were reminded that the Commissioners have implemented a hiring freeze for FY10.
2. Currently there is one 10 hour position vacant at the Main Library.
3. Since the salaries for FY10 have been reduced considerably by restructuring, the Board agreed to ask the Commissioners for an increase of 7.5% in library materials to help accommodate the increased usage by library customers.

MOVED BY J LOPP, "that the Fund 2220 budget for FY10 be approved with the increase of 7.5% in the library materials budget."

SECONDED BY C LEISTIKO

CARRIED

4. Crowley presented drafts of FY10 budget for Funds 4020 & 7055.

MOVED BY J LOPP, "that the Fund 4020 & 7055 budget for FY10 be approved with the stated corrections."

SECONDED BY T PETERSEN

CARRIED

B. Library Director self-evaluation discussion

The Board Chair recessed this meeting to be reconvened on Friday, April 3, 2009 at 9:00am in the Main Library meeting room to discuss the Library Director's self-evaluation.

**THE FLATHEAD COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM BOARD OF TRUSTEES
RECONVENED ON APRIL 3, 2009 AT 9:16 AM AT THE MAIN LIBRARY TO
DISCUSS THE LIBRARY DIRECTOR SELF-EVALUATION.**

The Chair reconvened the meeting at 9:16am and immediately went into Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter.

The meeting was opened at 11:51am with no action taken during the Executive Session regarding the annual review of the Library Director.

An announcement was made by the Library Director that a volunteer is needed for the Executive Committee of the Tamarac Federation.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 11:54am on April 3, 2009.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING: April 16, 2009 at 3:00 pm at the Main Library.