The meeting was called to order by Bruce Bartleson at 2:03 p.m.

A quorum was acknowledged with the following board members present: Kathy Norgard, Jan Carroll, Larry Meredith, Rosalie Ott, Andy Keck, Sherryl Peterson and Bruce Bartleson. Also present were Library District Director Nancy Trimm and Business Manager and HR Manager Donna Ford.

Peterson made a motion to approve the agenda. Ott seconded the motion and it was approved.

The minutes of the February 10, 2015 regular meeting were reviewed. Peterson made a motion to approve the minutes. Keck seconded the motion and the minutes were approved.

There were no public comments but Ott reported on a very positive conversation she had with a Crested Butte resident who praised the libraries and urged the board to keep Old Rock as the Crested Butte library.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT: Peterson, Ford and Trimm made the Finance Committee report. The Library District’s final fund balance at the end of February was $610,694.73, far in excess of the amount required by the board. Income and expenses for the Gunnison and Crested Butte libraries and CAFE were in line with the budget amounts. Interest earned from CDs containing the bequest of Ray Van Tuyl has been placed in a money market account and now totals $74,573.10. Norgard moved to approve the financial report, Carroll seconded and the motion passed.

DIRECTOR’S REPORT: Nancy Trimm presented the Director’s Report.

A workshop on strategic planning hosted by the Community Foundation of the Gunnison Valley is set for April 27. Peterson may attend to represent the board. If she can’t, Meredith will attend.

A “Citizenship Ceremony” is planned by CAFÉ for 7 p.m. on April 6 at the Community School. All are invited.

A staff development day of training is set for the Gunnison Library on April 21 from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Topics will focus on customer service and technology.

Trimm attended a Colorado Library Consortium workshop.
A “How to Win Mill Levy Campaigns” workshop is offered by a relatively new organization called EveryLibrary and Trimm will investigate.

Trimm has joined the Gunnison Rotary Club.

Trimm’s written report showed that visits to district libraries continue to increase over the previous year, along with check-outs and other services including programming.

CAFÉ Attendance has been holding steady between 15-20 adults each evening. The children’s program has been averaging 20 each evening.

**NEW BUSINESS:** Trimm reported that, although the board had indicated it wanted to transfer the Van Tuyl estate funds from CDs at Gunnison Savings and Loan to a fund with the Community Foundation of the Gunnison Valley there may be legal restrictions that would prohibit that change. These restrictions involve how “public” funds may or may not be invested. Trimm and members of the Community Foundation are investigating the issue.

In more New Business Trimm reported that she has contacted attorneys Michael O’Laughlin and Luke Danielson to request a letter of interest indicating whether or not they would like to represent the district in any legal matters that might arise. She is awaiting their replies.

An article in “The Rotarian” about libraries was circulated. The article discussed the value of libraries and made excellent points that the Gunnison Library District might use in future mill levy campaigns.

An inquiry has been received from Mike Darnell, owner of True Value in Gunnison, about whether the district might be interested in purchasing the former Sears facility. There was no discussion.

Members agreed that a Doodle Poll would be conducted by Trimm to establish a date and time for the next meeting of the board.

Carroll moved that the meeting be adjourned. Ott seconded, the motion passed and the meeting was adjourned at 3:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Larry Meredith, Secretary