



**GUNNISON COUNTY LIBRARY DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
Thursday, October 13, 2017
Gunnison Library**

This regular meeting of the Gunnison County Library District Board of Trustees was called to order by Vice President Rosalie Ott at 4:15 p.m. Board members present were Rosalie Ott, Andy Keck, and Doris Kuiper. There was not a Quorum and no official action could be taken. Also in attendance were Library Director Drew Brookhart and Business/HR Manager Amanda Brackett.

A discussion of Larry Meredith's Board retirement was added to the agenda.

The minutes from the September 25, 2017 meeting were reviewed. The members present had no corrections or additions. Drew agreed to forward the draft minutes for an email vote.

Amanda presented the September financial reports and noted that the budget was on target with all items at or below budgeted amounts.

The Director's report was presented. Andy suggested long term use statistics be analyzed alongside budget data. Rosalie asked about the \$80,000 allocated for facility development in 2018. Drew discussed how those funds could be used for research, design, and other items related to moving forward with a new facility.

In New Business the board discussed the 2018 Proposed Budget. Andy stated that he was comfortable with the budget. He noted that while it is a deficit budget the actual income will likely make it closer to a flat budget in 2018. Amanda discussed her predictions for tax income for the District. She noted that she budgeted for a 3% decrease in 2017 but there will actually be an increase in income over 2016 based on rising valuations.

The Board discussed recognition for Larry Meredith's years of service to the Board, the library, and the community. It was agreed that an evening event should be held at a restaurant in Gunnison. Larry will be in Gunnison the week of October 16th and the only conflict noted was a library program on Wednesday evening. The members present suggested Bruce coordinate a suitable date with Larry.

In Old Business the Board moved to a discussion of Drew's welcome and community introduction. It was decided to host an event at the Gunnison Library at 7pm on Friday November 3rd. Drew agreed to share the date with the Gunnison Friends of the Library at their October 18th meeting. Rosalie agreed to contact the Crested Butte Friends of the Library to set up a similar event in Crested Butte.

The response to the attorney's memo drafted by Bruce and Larry, regarding the Van Tuyl Property, was discussed. Drew noted that it would be a benefit to conduct community research prior to making decisions on the property. He also noted that decisions based on financing may not be necessary. Doris noted that research had been conducted prior to the 2011 election. She also stated that some facility location specific community discussions had taken place recently. Andy asked if the uncertainty of the Van Tuyl property was a concern. He also noted the possibility of selling the property after deed restrictions had expired in order to pay down any remaining project bonds. Members were asked to be ready to discuss the document at the next meeting when a quorum was present. The members present agreed that Bruce and Larry's questions were good questions and should be asked.

Drew agreed to send a doodle poll to members to determine the date of the November meeting. Amanda stated that the Board will need to meet on December 21, 2017 to finalize the budget, after the County Commissioners have established the 2018 mill levy.

Keck moved adjournment at 5:00 p.m. Doris seconded and the motion passed.