

Delta County Library Board Meeting June 15, 2011

Library Board Minutes, June 15, 2011, Delta Library

Present: Melody BellCampton (President), Ann Murphy (Vice President/Secretary), Jeanne Callahan (Treasurer), Ross Blackstock, Pat Means, Cheryl Smith, Annette Choszczyk (District Director), Rhonda Duclo (Assistant District Director), Lea Hart (Delta Library Manager), and LaDonna Gunn (Grants/Projects Coordinator).

President Melody BellCampton called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

I. Introduce Guests

BellCampton introduced:
Bruce Hovde, Delta County Commissioner

II. Public Comments

No comments.

III. Approve /Amend Agenda

Callahan moved, Murphy seconded to approve the agenda with no amendments.
Motion passed.

IV. Approval of Consent Agenda

May 18, 2011, Minutes; District Director's Report and Finance Report.
Means moved, Callahan seconded, to approve the consent agenda. Motion passed.

V. Old/Continuing Business

a. District Library Director's Comments

- Annette reported that she found a 1912 news article indicating that the Town of Hotchkiss used to give the library \$100 annually.
- Annette visited Paonia this morning and observed that plants and flowers are being planted and the landscaping is almost complete.

b. Oral reports

Cedaredge: Pat reported that the craft programs are very popular. SRP's are going really well. The library has many programs going this summer. Friends had a "farewell" party for John and Linda Verbiscar last week. New landscaping around the building is complete. Foundation is still not sure what they will do with the new property east of the building. People in Cedaredge seem to be very happy. Cedaredge's public meeting was last week, and it was a very positive meeting. People had praises and a few suggestions.

Crawford: Cheryl reporter that Pioneer Days was successful. Friends sold over \$500 at their book sale. Cheryl attended the computer classes and observed that the

average age of participants was well over 55. Kathy has been working on BTOP partners. Juvenile Diversion work crew has been weeding weeds.

Delta: Lea reported that SRP started off with a bang. First kickoff party had 90 kids and 60 kids attended the second week. New teen librarian is doing well. He had 20 teens with the first program. The library is very busy with many programs. On the first Tuesday after Memorial Day, the gate count was 540 people. Lea bought new chairs for the computer area. The shelving project is progressing. Adult SRP attendance is around 60. Friends gave \$850 for SRP.

Bruce asked about the status of the SHF grant. Annette reported that the HAS is still pending.

Hotchkiss: Rhonda reported that Hotchkiss has been really busy. She has received additional information on the ADA mechanization upgrades. The Foundation has money to pay for the work.

Paonia: Ann reported that the Friends are preparing for their annual book sale during Cherry Days. They will coordinate donations for landscaping. The library has been busy with children and adults.

Literacy: Annette reported that the planning for Storytime Stew is going well. Jessica is preparing the end-of-year grant reports for literacy and preparing for next year's grants.

c. Staffing

Annette reported that we have one part-time job still open for the office assistant in Hotchkiss. We have received many applications and will begin interviews soon.

d. Budget Update

Annette reported no new information. Bruce commented that the assessed value will go down 6% to 8%.

e. Foundation and Advocacy Committee Report

Deferred comments to Foundation workshop scheduled after meeting.

f. 2011 Centennial Celebration of Library Services in Delta County

Annette reported that the Crawford parade went well. We designed a banner and enlarged historic building photos. We will use the materials at each community celebration with Cherry Days occurring July 4. Jeanne suggested looking into a 100 Years of Bestsellers. The centennial celebration will tie into the 100-year Carnegie celebration beginning this fall.

VI. Parking lot

a. Facilities/Services Long Range Plan

No discussion.

VII. New Business

a. Format of Minutes

Ann requested the Board to express their wishes for the format of the minutes. Does the Board want the minutes verbatim, relatively detailed, or a brief summary of the agenda items? Annette reported that she has received no comments from the public with the current form of relatively detailed. Minutes from former board meetings have been very brief. Board discussion followed of the pros and cons. Board members' consensus was to provide relatively detailed minutes.

b. Update – Schedule of Information Meetings at Each Library

Melody commented that the Cedaredge meeting has occurred and that it was very positive and was well-managed by Carol and Annette. Annette presented and discussed the handouts for each remaining public meeting and mentioned the responses from the Cedaredge meeting. Annette mentioned that she will be bringing BTOP iPads for demonstration to the Crawford public meeting. Board discussed use of iPads in the libraries.

VIII. Board Member Comments

- Pat commented that she wanted to thank Katie Ankeny and the Cedaredge teen group for writing support letters for the GOCO tennis grant. She explained the new signage for Cedaredge. There are many partners -- Town, Historical Society, Chamber, Rotary. Library events will be included. No commercial advertising.
- Pat asked if unsold books from Friends' book sales could go to devastated areas—Joplin, Tuscaloosa, flooded areas, and military. Annette commented that CLiC has started a "Do Not Store" program where they will take books that libraries have weeded. They sell the books to help fund the courier or send the books through a world-wide service. Discussion of possible places to donate books.

IX. Adjourn:

Pat moved, Ann seconded, to adjourn. Motion passed. The meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Next Regular Meeting: Wednesday, July 13, 2011, 1:30 p.m., Crawford Library