

**MINUTES OF THE DELTA COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARIES BOARD OF TRUSTEES**  
**Delta Library**  
**August 21, 2013**

The regular Meeting of the Board of Trustees was called to order by Vice President Cheryl Smith at 12:35 p.m. August 21, 2013 at the Delta Library.

Trustees Present: Cheryl Smith, Vice President; Dorothy Pew, Treasurer; Katie A. Gnauck, Secretary; Bill Welch, Bill Crank, John Moore

Trustee Absent: Ann Murphy, President

Also Present: Annette Choszczyk, District Director; Lea Hart, Delta Manager; Anthony Russo, Communications and Development Manager; Doug Atchley, County Commissioner, Melody BellCampton, and Rhonda Duclo

1. **INTRODUCE GUESTS:** Doug Ashley, Melody BellCampton
2. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None
3. **APPROVE/AMEND AGENDA:** Crank moved and Welch seconded the motion to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
4. **APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA:** Moore moved and Gnauck seconded the motion to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
5. **OLD/CONTINUING BUSINESS:**
  - a. **DISTRICT LIBRARY DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS:** Summer Reading was very successful throughout the District.

Children participating: 515	Hours read: 3558
Teens participating: 157	Books read: 1457
Adults participating: 270	Books read: 1674

The six month statistics for downloadable books and materials exceed the total for all of 2012.

**b. ORAL REPORTS:**

**Cedaredge:** Welch & Hart reported that they are working on a way to modify the book drop to take care of the returned items on the weekend. DMEA has been discussing the possibility of providing a payment kiosk and incorporating a book drop with it.

**Crawford:** Smith reported that Summer reading went well.

**Delta:** Pew and Hart reported that the fan/blower in the old part of the library cannot be fixed because there are no parts available.

In the past 4 months there have been over 10,000 people in the library every month. It has been very busy with people, programs and computer use. The storytimes have been huge.

Building project: The bidder, architect and owners rep met and negotiated a new price. The State Historical Society has given verbal approval of the changes. We are working on the grant for future stages.

The Friends were given all the books from a used book store in Montrose that closed. These books filled four truck loads and are in storage units in Delta.

**Hotchkiss:** Gnauck reported that summer reading went well. The story garden is not doing so well. Only a few children came. They were not as interested in the reading part as they were in cooking that took place last year.

The Friends have had several book sorting sessions.

Bill Crank pulled and chopped weeds. It looks much better.

**Paonia:** They had a children's book sale that went really well. The kids were all excited to have things just for them.

The summer free concerts were well attended.

**Literacy:** English as a second language classes have started. We need a teacher.

We are in the final stages of hiring a literacy manager.

**At-Large:** Nothing to report.

- c. **STAFFING:** Reported under Literacy.
- d. **NEW CONTRACTS AND/OR GRANTS:** The historical grant was discussed under the Delta report.

Annette met with Health and Human Services about the Literacy Memorandum.

Anthony reported on his contact with AmeriCorp Vista. This program would provide volunteers at the libraries to help with anything that is direct service (programs, helping patrons, etc.) This would be a three year program. This program has been approved. Anthony will be going to Denver at the end of the month to a Vista conference. At the end of their service a volunteer will receive a \$5500 scholarship as well as the stipend received during the service.

He also talked about a AmeriCorp partnership that could begin later.

- e. **COMMITTEE REPORTS:** None
6. **NEW BUSINESS:** None
  7. **BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:** Doug Atchley stated that the County Treasurer has released the valuation figure of \$303 million for a 10% drop in revenue.
  8. **ADJOURN:** Moore moved and Gnauck seconded the motion to adjourn. Motion passed. The regular meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m. The next regular meeting will be held on September 18<sup>th</sup> in Hotchkiss.

