

January 10, 2008

**MINUTES**

**Present:** Lloyd Mickelson, Board Chair; Tony Hines, Paulette Laszlo, Lyn McKinney, Shari Nault, Dave Ward, Jean Warner; Bill Cochran, Library Director; Jim Peters, Assistant Library Director; Dee Ann Redman, Systems Administration; Sandy Raymond, Senior Administrative Coordinator; Nicki Broch, President of Friends of the Library; Leslie Modrow; Development Director for the Library Foundation; Jennifer Kruger, Reference Librarian

**Public Comment**

Kruger was introduced as a new reference librarian.

MOTION: Add reports for High Plains Bookfest and City Council to the agenda.  
Approved Ward/Nault

**Consent Agenda**

MOTION: Approval of all items on Consent Agenda except *Items B, E and F*.  
Approved McKinney/Laszlo

**Item B – Facilities Committee Report**

Downtown Billings Partnership Meeting attended by Board member Dan Carter was discussed. Nault reported that the development agreement for the Federal Court House Project was approved by Big Sky EDA earlier today and its site will have no impact on Library property.

MOTION: Accept Facilities Committee Report and defer any recommendation from the Board until more information is available. The Library Board Chair will send a written response to the Downtown Billings Partnership advising them of the decision.  
Approved Ward/Hines

**Item E – Library Foundation Report**

McKinney complemented Modrow on the newsletter's new format. Mickelson would like to see more information included about the Board, and the activities of the Friends and Foundation. It was suggested that Carter write an article for the newsletter about the functions and activities of the Library Board. Nault volunteered to serve as the Board's representative on the newsletter editorial board.

MOTION: Approval of the Foundation report with compliments on the new newsletter format.  
Approved Ward/McKinney

**Item F – Staff Report**

Redman reported on the statistics section of the staff report.

MOTION: Accept staff report.

Approved

McKinney/Warner

**Statement of Concern**

Peters reported on his research and response to Allan Dunlap regarding the Statement of Concern for the DVD *L.I. E.*

MOTION: Approve staff recommendation.

Approved

Ward/Hines

**Collection Management Policy**

Cochran reported on the recommended revised Collection Management Policy . After discussion, the Board decided to review the policy at its retreat in February.

MOTION: Review the Library's Collection Management Policy in February at the Board retreat.

Approved

McKinney/Warner

**Board Retreat**

MOTION: The Board will hold its annual retreat on February 23, 2008 at the MSU-B Downtown campus. The regular meeting on February 14, 2008 will be cancelled.

Approved

McKinney/Warner

**High Plains Bookfest**

Mickelson reported that the tentative dates for the bookfest are October 17 and 18, 2008. Discussion followed regarding concerns over the dates because it is the same weekend as the Friends annual book sale.

MOTION: The Board recommends that the High Plains Bookfest become an annual event.

Approved

McKinney/Nault

**City Council Report**

Cochran asked the Board to consider scheduling a report to the City Council at one of its work Sessions.

No Action Taken

**Other**

Laszlo reminded the group of its plans to meet in February at MSU-B COT. This will be rescheduled, the March meeting will be held there; if possible.

