

April 17, 2008

## **MINUTES**

**Present:** Lloyd Mickelson, Board Chair, Dan Carter, Denise Du Pont, Tony Hines, Paulette Laszlo, Shari Nault Pullar, Jean Warner; Bill Cochran, Library Director; Jim Peters, Assistant Library Director; Dee Ann Redman, Systems Administrator; Sandy Raymond, Senior Administrative Coordinator; Leslie Modrow, Development Director for the Library Foundation

### **Public Comment**

None

### **Consent Agenda**

MOTION: Approval of all items on Consent Agenda except *Items B and F*.  
Approved Du Pont/ Laszlo

Item B – Funding request to the Friends of the Library  
Peters requested approval for \$300 in Friends funding to pay Charlie Williams for a Children’s program.

MOTION: Approval of \$300 funding request.  
Approved Hines/Warner

### Item F – Budget presentations

Cochran reported that Library budget presentations would be given as follows:

- City Hall Conference Room, Wednesday, May 28 (corrected date), 5:30 p.m.
- County Commissioners Chamber, Courthouse, Monday, June 23, 11:30 a.m.

### **Facilities Committee Report**

Cochran reported that there was a good turnout for the April 7 organizational meeting. The Scope of Work was discussed, including the following topics:

- Library Sites
  1. MSU-B COT
  2. Main Library
  3. Branch for Billings Heights
- Long Range Plan for the next 20-25 years
- Mobile Delivery
- Mini Libraries in existing facilities

The group would like to get facilities statistics from other libraries in the state which serve a population of 25,000 or more as well as other libraries in the country serving communities the same size as Billings. These statistics could be used to compare our services and facilities to peer organizations.

**High Plains Book Award Committee report**

Mickelson reported that the group is meeting regularly. The number of entries has expanded from 20 books last year to 40 this year and will include eight books from Canada and there are two Canadian judges, as well. Readers will narrow the selection down to three finalists for the judges to read. The MSU-B Ballroom facility has been reserved for the Awards Banquet on October 17, 2008.

**Other**

Cochran reported that Mickelson was named Trustee of the Year at the annual Montana Library Association awards banquet in Great Falls.

Cochran also reported that the Mayor issued a proclamation observing National Library Week, April 13-19, 2008.

**Adjournment.**