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## MINUTES OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING Siouxland Libraries

Brandon Branch Library Wednesday, March 19, 2014

- 1. Roll Call and declaration of quorum. The meeting was called to order by Quinn Stein. Members present: Jeff Barth, Kim Regnier, Betsy Rice, Joel Rosenthal, Quinn Stein, and Library Director Mary Johns. Members absent: Laura Reurink Staff present: Alysia Boysen, Jodi Fick and Joan Reddy. Guests present: Jed Huisman, Brandon.
- 2. Adoption of the agenda. Motion by Barth and second by Rosenthal to adopt the agenda. Motion carried.
- 3. Motion by Regnier and second by Rosenthal to approve the minutes of the January 8, 2014 meeting. Motion carried.
- 4. Review of financial and statistical reports. Johns reported that the 2013 budget was 96% expended. She complimented the library staff on managing the budget responsibly. Barth asked a question about supply expenditures in 2013. Fick explained the 2014 financial report; the report has changed to reflect the new structure of the budget. Fick stated that the 2015 budget process is underway. Two significant requests for the 2015 operating budget are a renovation of the Caille Branch and an enhanced ILS (Integrated Library System). The current ILS server is at end of life and there have been considerable developments and technology changes beyond our current system.
- 5. Stein acknowledged a guest, Jed Huisman of Brandon.
- 6. Library Director and Staff Reports
  - a. Johns acknowledged the retirement of Joan Reddy. Reddy has been with the library since December 1984. The Colton Branch is closing at the end of March and will reopen May 1. The elevator in Colton donated a building and the City bought a lot. The inside of the building is being remodeled. Johns distributed a copy of the daycare newsletter; she recently received a thank you from a daycare provider for the newsletter. Lois Running, principal of Discovery Elementary complimented Prairie West staff on the library programs for students. The schools are ramping up support of students' reading in the summer. Johns and James Borchert met with Ann Williams, principal of Cleveland Elementary, about an end-of-year party for Cleveland students and their families. The party will feature inflatables, a picnic and activities at Oak View Branch Library. Library staff recently visited the Banquet as an outreach activity. Library staff held a story time, gave away gift books, delivered care packs from the Multicultural Center children and issued library cards. Great news is the receipt of a gift to expand the Reading Bridge Summer Tutoring program. Reading Bridge has been held at Main and Oak View and will expand to Tea Community Library, Brandon and Prairie West Branch Libraries, and three elementary schools in Sioux Falls: Laura B. Anderson, Terry Redlin and Hayward. This will be the 14th year of the

program. Educators Barbara Wigg and Kyle Wigg are the founders of this program. They recruit tutors and organize the program which runs through the month of July. As the organizational partner for this program, Siouxland has secured grants in the past, contributes various in-kind support, facilitates registration and provides some materials. A space study was done in February for the Caille Branch Library. The consultants are working on further details and estimated costs of the Caille project for possible inclusion in the 2015 operating budget request.

- b. Reports from the Public Library Association Conference. PLA is a conference aimed specifically at public libraries. Seven library staff attended this conference. Alysia Boysen, Jodi Fick and Mary Johns reported on library programs aimed at reducing the "summer slide" where children lose reading skills during the summer to budgeting and interviewing to library promotion to early literacy to makerspace development in libraries. Other staff attending included Carin Schleicher, Monique Christensen, Vicki Biggerstaff and Jane Huwe.
- 7. Public Input. There was no public input.
- 8. Unfinished Business. There was no unfinished business. Board members asked a few questions. Barth asked about the funding of a Caille renovation. It will be funded in a future operations budget. Rosenthal asked about the recent puppet show. It was performed by Youth Services staff. Regnier asked about resume help and computer classes.
- 9. New Business.
- 10. Other.
- 11. The next regular meeting will be on May 14, 2014 at 4:30 PM at the Oak View Branch Library.
- 12. Adjournment. Stein adjourned the meeting at 5:34 PM.
- 13. Following the meeting, Alysia Boysen, Brandon Branch Librarian, gave a tour of the library and talked about grants received and changes made in the library.

Jodi Fick Library Staff

Date Approved

Board Secretary