

Minutes of the Elko County Library Board

July 30, 2012

Date, Time, and Place

The meeting was called to order on Tuesday July 30, 2012 at 4:10 pm in the meeting room of the Elko County Library with Wendy McClure-Porter presiding.

Attendance

Wendy McClure-Porter, Russ Orr, Lane Diedrichsen, Lynne Volpi, and Lora Minter were present. Commissioner Jeff Williams was unable to attend. Library Director Jeanette M. Hammons was present. Audience: Laura Oki, Paula Singer, Lorraine Kituri

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Minutes

Minter motioned to approve the June 19, 2012 minutes with a second by Orr. Unanimous, McClure-Porter voted aye. Motion passed.

Claims

Hammons explained that "Library Hotline" is a newsletter on breaking news for library and information decision makers. She also explained that Library Van gas is for fuel for the van used to take books, computers, etc. to Branches and for traveling to meetings out of town.

Diedrichsen motioned to approve the 6/12, 7/10, and 7/24/12 claims with a second by Orr. Unanimous, McClure-Porter voted aye. Motion carried.

Operating Report

Hammons reported:

- **Programming**

- ✓ SRP

- 476 Star Readers (4-11) with 127 completed

- 106 Rock-A-Bye Babies (0-3) 33 have completed

- 98 Own the Night (12-18) 43 have completed

- 780

- Stars Readers had reported 107,040 minutes read to date.

- The top 2 readers for Own the Night read 15,733 pages and 11,818 pages!

- ✓ There were a total of 14 "Create Your Own Planet" entries. Winners were:

- Family – 1st place - Stork Family

- 2nd place – Wolford

- Individuals 6 to 8 – 1st place – Rhiannon Worline

- 2nd place – Caden Osorio

- Individuals 9 to 13 – 1st place – Stone Patterson

- 2nd place – Indigo Patterson

- ✓ We had 71 people who participated in the Let's Play Legos last month

and 16 for crafts.

- ✓ 46 young adults participated in the Minute to Win It, Game Night and Tie-Dyed t-shirt activities.
- ✓ Adult SRP/Between the Covers-about 129 reviews.

-Patrons were encouraged to visit Great Basin College for the Transit of Venus on June 5.

-A Photo contest was held from June 21 to July 16. Photographs of night images around town, your neighborhood or anywhere outdoors were accepted. We had **one** entry for this contest.

-The Elko Sleep Lab had a 1 ½ hour program on sleep disorders on July 9th. After the program patrons made lavender sachets. **11** people attended.

- ✓ On July 23rd Joe Doucette gave a program on Nocturnal Animals. He featured a film on bats in Elko. The program lasted approximately 1 hour with a question and answer period after the presentation. **12** people attended.
 - ✓ Gaming-there was 7 Gaming “events” scheduled for the June and July. There were 61 participants.
 - ✓ Deborah Blohm conducted an author reading and signing of her book The Adventures of Julia the Generosity Genie . There were about 40 participants.
- **Staff**
 - ✓ Bookmobile Clerk, Antonia Roman, has tendered her resignation. Her last day will be August 17. A meeting with the Budget Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, July 31 to determine if the position can be filled prior to the 90 days required in the County’s Rehire Policy.
 - **Facility**
 - ✓ We had flooding occur in the Children’s Department on Monday, July 23. Buildings and Grounds cleaned out the downspout trap that runs under the sidewalk.
 - ✓ The Library was evacuated the morning of Monday, July 30 due to some questionable graffiti. The library reopened at 1:00 pm.
 - **Services**
 - ✓ Nothing new to report.
 - **Friends of the Library**
 - ✓ The Friends of the Elko County Library are holding their annual Barrick Golf Tournament fundraiser Saturday, August 4.
 - **Budget**

Nothing new to report.
 - **Grants**

Tri-County Needs Assessment

 - ✓ The Singer Group reviewed the Summary of the Needs Assessment. The summary included 10 Focus Groups, Steering Committee workshops, Staff workshops, Board Meetings, many meetings with the Library Director and Assistant Library Director, and 2,062 surveys.

4:43 The Board adjourned for a 20 minute Dinner break.

5:05 The Board reconvened.

- ✓ The Singer Group presented the Board with 4 Strategic Initiatives that would guide the direction of the Strategic Plan for the Library System. There was a lot of discussion and clarification about each Initiative.

Volpi motioned to approve the 5 agreed upon Initiatives allowing for additional input from staff to be incorporated, with a second by Orr. Unanimous, McClure-Porter voted aye. Motion carried.

Strategic Initiatives:

Strategic Initiative #1: Readily accessible library services (virtual and physical) will be available to all residents living throughout Elko-Lander-Eureka counties.

Strategic Initiative #2: Provide and support children and youth learning through robust collections and programming.

Strategic Initiative #3: Provide an inviting and welcoming physical space and serve as a community hub.

Strategic Initiative #4: The library will have the internal capacity to implement the strategic initiatives outlined in the strategic plan.

Strategic Initiative #5: Continue to update and improve technology in order to meet patron needs and provide efficient and effective customer service.

- **Other Matters of Interest**

Hammons informed the Board that she had attended the Carlin City Council meeting and that the Council had named the new Carlin library building the “Ellen Mashefsky” building. The Branch Library name will still be the Carlin Branch Library. She recommends that the Board consider adopting a “Naming” policy for Branches and rooms or areas within Branch libraries as there has been two instances in the past 6 years where conflicts over the name of the Branch Library has occurred.

**Trustee
Business**

- Updates from Board members
 - Minter shared information on the content of the “Shades of Grey” trilogy.
- Other matters of Interest
 - None

**Public
Comment**

There was no public comment.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for August 21, 2012 @ 4:00 pm.

DRAFT VERSION: HAS NOT BEEN APPROVED BY THE BOARD