Minutes of the Elko County Library Board

March 18, 2014

Date, Time, and Place
The meeting was called to order on Tuesday, March 18, 2014 at 4:00pm in the meeting room of the Elko County Library with Lynne Volpi presiding.

Attendance
Russ Orr, Lynne Volpi, Lane Diedrichsen, Commissioner Jeff Williams, and Wendy McClure-Porter were present. Lora Minter was unable to attend. Library Director Jeanette Hammons was present. Audience: None

Public Comment
There was no public comment.

Minutes
Diedrichsen motioned to approve the February 2014 minutes with a second by McClure-Porter. Volpi voted aye. Motion carried.

Claims
McClure-Porter motioned to approve the claims from 3/4/14 and 3/14/14 with a second by Orr. Unanimous, Volpi voted aye. Motion carried.

Operating Report
Hammons reported:
- **Programming**
- **Youth Services**
  - 12 Story times: 535 participants
  - 2 Crafts: 22 participants
  - Laura Ingalls Wilder program: 45 participants
  - Outreach programs: 9 extra story times with 284 participants
    - 2 student research groups with 26 participants
  - Total for February: 912
- **Staff**
  ✔ Nothing new to report.
- **Facilities**
  Diedrichsen motioned to close the Elko County Library at 12:00 noon on Saturday, May 3, 2014 in preparation for the Friends of the Elko County Library’s annual Just Desserts fundraiser that evening with a second by McClure-Porter. Unanimous, Volpi voted aye. Motion carried.
- **Services**
  ✔ VITA appointments are going strong. April 8th will be the last day at the library.
Public Copier: We have the new public copier in place and working.
Library Information Nights have continued but no participants yet.
Blind Date with a Book is continuing until the end of the month.
National Library Week, National Bookmobile Day, and Just Desserts Day proclamations are scheduled for the April 2nd County Commissioners’ meeting. It would be great if the Board members were able to attend this meeting.

- **World Book Night**
  - There are 7 individual Book Givers. Hammons has not been informed as to who the recipients of the books are.

- **“Declaration for the Right to Libraries”** signing events been scheduled for West Wendover (4/1), Wells (4/8), Carlin (4/9), and Elko (4/16) to date. They will take place during the City Council meetings.

- **Budgets**
  - Elko County Admin staff was ok with the budget requests.
  - Revised Eureka County contract for library services was discussed noting that the weekly 4 ½ hours that had been allocated to Beowawe will be added to the weekly operating hours of Crescent Valley in the new Fiscal Year.

  McClure-Porter motioned to approve the updated Eureka County contract for library services with a second by Orr. Unanimous, Volpi voted aye. Motion carried.

- **Other Matters of Interest**
  - The library is receiving quite a number of DVD donations. Hammons is pricing a new DVD display case as our current ones are full. Prices are ranging from $1,600-$2,000.
  - The library should be receiving the grant in aid award letter for both the mini and competitive LSTA grants soon.
  - Board members took Just Desserts tickets to sell and flyers to post. All present indicated their level of help to the Just Desserts fundraiser.

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**Trustee Business**

**Updates from Board Members**

- Volpi asked about the feasibility of holding the Library Board meetings at other Branches occasionally. She believes that the Board should be showing support to the other communities and library staff. Hammons stated that this did occur in the past because past minutes (decades ago). Commissioner Williams informed the Library Board that previously the Elko County Commissioners would travel to other communities during the nicer weather for their Commissioners’ meetings but had recently changed their policy to go to these communities on an “as needed” basis since the county usually took more staff than what would be in the audience at these meetings. It was not cost effective. At the conclusion of the discussion it was agreed that Board members could elect to “tag along” when Elko Library staff go to the Branches. Hammons will keep the Board apprised of scheduled trips to the Branches. Board members will let Hammons know if they will “tag along”.

Volpi shared an article about the City of Wells doing the “Little Free Libraries” in a number of locations. Discussion followed. Volpi thought it was a great idea. Hammons expressed similar thoughts but also asked if they would have an impact on usage of the public libraries.

Other Matters of Interest
- None

Public Comment
- There was no public comment.

Adjournment
- The meeting was adjourned at 4:39 pm. The next meeting is scheduled for April 15, 2014 immediately after the Law Library Board meeting.