

**MEETING OF THE NATRONA COUNTY
PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD
JUNE 8, 2016**

The meeting was called to order at 5:10pm by President Hampton O'Neill

MEMBERS PRESENT: *Shannon Dutcher, Kate Sarosy,
Hampton O'Neill*

MEMBERS ABSENT: *Linda Nix, Kyle True*

ALSO PRESENT: *Lisa Scroggins, Director
Kate Mutch, Public Services Librarian
Greta Lehnerz, Business Manager
Heather Duncan-Malone, County Attorney
John Lawson, Natrona County Commission
Sherry Good, Friends of the Library
Steve Degenfelder, NCPL Foundation*

PUBLIC HEARING

Hampton O'Neill opened the Public Hearing at 5:06pm to accept unanticipated revenue into the 2015/1016 budget.

It was moved to accept unanticipated income of \$54,480.50 from the City of Casper and \$35,000.00 from NCSD#1/NC Recreation Joint Powers Board and distribute as follows:

Revenue – 300 Series

City of Casper 1% \$54,480.50

Joint Powers Board \$35,000.00

Expense – 500 Series

Programs – We Read Grant \$54,480.50

Programs – Children's \$35,000.00

(Sarosy/Dutcher); motion carried.

Hampton O'Neill closed the Public Hearing at 5:10pm.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

It was moved to approve the agenda. (Sarosy/Dutcher); motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None

DISPOSITION OF MINUTES FROM THE MAY 10, 2016 MEETING

It was moved to approve and file the minutes for the May 10, 2016 meeting. (Sarosy/Dutcher); motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT

It was moved to approve the Financial Report and payment of May 2016 bills. (Dutcher/Sarosy); motion carried.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Lisa Scroggins reported on the budget hearing. Sales tax collections are still down so 1% funds could be reduced up to 30%. The library received the funds from the Commission to pay for the repairs to Prometheus.

Information on the Foundation's Staff Development Grant was distributed to staff by Kate Mutch. Lisa Scroggins, Kate Mutch and Susan Stanton will attend the WyLD meeting at Casper College June 9 and 10.

Summer Reading started June 1 and several people have already signed up. The Bookmobile made several stops at the temporary Midwest School at the old North Casper School site. The Friends of the library also donated several items to the displaced students and teachers. The library is working on coordination of services to help patrons with employment and budgeting information. The library will begin circulating reusable bags. The Foundation has agreed to purchase the bags and they should be available in about 30 days. The Director is also exploring the addition of a coffee bar lounge area. ways to shift resources to maximize the use of space. Some ideas include removing compact shelving, moving periodicals upstairs, moving AV and adding a Makerspace in glassed-in area.

COMMISSIONERS REPORT

John Lawson reported Lisa Scroggins's presentation at the budget hearing was well received by commissioners. The Library's request is tentatively approved at 10% less than last year's allocation. 1% funding may be reduced by as much as 30% as collections are still down. The proposed county budget will be published June 23, 2016 and will be approved at the Commission's July 5, 2016 meeting.

A meeting of the Joint County/City/School District Committee with the Library Board, Foundation and Library Planning Associates will be held in August. An exact date has not been set.

FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

Sherry Good reported their next book sale will be June 25 in conjunction with NIC Fest. There will be a staff presale on Thursday, June 24 from 3 – 4:30pm.

The Friends have established their budget and will allocate \$25,000.00 to the Library on July 1, 2016. They have also allocated \$5,000.00 to Wyoming Reads.

FOUNDATION REPORT

The Foundation is serving as a flow-through for funds from First Interstate Bank Foundation for the We Read program.

OLD BUSINESS

Shannon Dutcher and Hampton O'Neill were re-appointed June 7, 2016 to serve another 3-year term on the Library Board.

NEW BUSINESS

Kate Mutch reported on the Wyoming Legislative Committee meeting she attended earlier in the day. Bill Schilling of the Wyoming Business Alliance spoke to the committee and predicted a population drop in Wyoming of 20,000 plus people. The state is not actively seeking to grow the state's population. He also reported the state does not expect the coal industry to come back. Also discussed at the meeting was the Endowment Match. The sunset date is likely to change so library foundations are encourage to raise matching funds as any remaining funds will likely go away at the next Legislative session.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:09pm. (Dutcher/Sarosy); motion carried.






