

**MEETING OF THE NATRONA COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD  
FEBRUARY 12, 2020**

*The meeting was called to order at 12:08 pm by President Kyle True.*

**MEMBERS PRESENT:**     *Kate Sarosy, Alaina Hall  
  Kyle True*

**MEMBERS ABSENT:**     *Mike Stepp, Linda Nix*

**ALSO PRESENT:**         *Lisa Scroggins, Executive Director  
  Kate Mutch, Assistant Director  
  Greta Lehnerz, Business Manager/Human Resources  
  Megan Bratton, PR/Marketing Coordinator  
  Beth Worthen, Natrona County Library Foundation  
  Sherry Good, Friends of the Library*

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

*None*

**DISPOSITION OF MINUTES FROM THE JANUARY 8, 2020 MEETING**

*It was moved to approve and file the minutes from the January 8, 2020 meeting.  
(Sarosy/Hall); motion carried.*

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

*It was moved to approve the Financial Report and payments for January 2020 bills.  
(Sarosy/Hall); motion carried.*

**FOUNDATION REPORT**

*Beth Worthen reported there are four Foundation board members whose terms are  
expiring. She asked the Library board for names to be considered.*

*The Foundation has hired MOA Architecture to complete a land evaluation and work  
with library staff for building program input.*

*The annual appeal went very well and amount raised is similar to last year.*

**COMMISSIONER'S REPORT**

*None*

**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

*The Director reported on the 01/10/2020 meeting a City Hall concerning a 2020 SPET  
ballot. She contacted NCL's 2012 election consultant. While he did not give any  
recommendation, he did say that due to several mitigating circumstances it would be*

*“very do-able” for us to enter a 2020 SPET campaign at this late date with a successful outcome. Those circumstances include:*

- *The politically charged nature of this Presidential election will bring more people to the polls;*
- *The Library and stakeholders have extensive previous knowledge regarding running a campaign;*
- *The awareness campaign has laid a lot of ground work; and*
- *We have a Library Foundation that is experienced, and is poised ready to help.*

*He also addressed ballot design and cautioned against going for any design that divides the voters at the polls. He suggested an “all or none” approach would be most beneficial to NCL; however, since he is not our consultant he did not make a recommendation. He suggested ballot design be tested through the public survey. An “all or none” ballot potentially increases the chance for affirmative votes from voters in outlying municipalities, prevents pitting one project against another, and would likely not be seen as a third strike against the library should it fail.*

*The Director reported the BOCC requested a follow up meeting on February 4 for an update. Beth Worthen accompanied the director, anticipating questions regarding the Foundation’s response to a potential land deal. Here is a summary of that meeting:*

- *The City of Casper and Natrona County are working together to create and issue a public survey regarding a SPET. The City is taking lead on this, and they do not plan to address ballot design;*
- *A potential new library project is to be included on the survey.*
- *I submitted three potential questions for the survey, which not only inquired about funding for a new library but also addressed ballot design;*
- *Proposed questions addressing ballot design were deleted by City representatives. While the survey asks about multiple projects, the current drafts do not address ballot design.*

*The Library is exploring a potential partnership the Mercer House on a 21<sup>st</sup> Century Education Grant.*

### **FRIENDS REPORT**

*Sherry Good reported the Friends have several magazines to donate to community organizations. They have a new committee working on the Edible Book Fest. It will be held October 3, 2020 instead of April 1. She shared several old books that were recently donated.*

*The Friend’s Annual Meeting will be Wednesday, February 19.*

### **OLD BUSINESS**

*It was moved to award the bookmobile contract to LDV, INC in the amount of \$315,813.*

**NEW BUSINESS**

*The Board discussed the 2020 SPET but a decision will not be made until results of the survey are known.*

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

*It was moved to go into Executive Session at 1:01 pm to discuss confidential financial matter. (Sarosy/Hall); motion carried. It was moved to come out of Executive Session at 1:21 pm. (Sarosy/Hall); motion carried.*

**ADJOURNMENT**

*It was moved to adjourn the meeting at 1:21 pm. (Sarosy/Hall); motion carried.*

  
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