

COLE LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES

NOVEMBER 20, 2018

PRESENT: Deb George, Tracey Louwagie, Cathy Boggs, Marie Schofer, Greg Cotton, Bob Meeker

- I. The meeting was called to order by President Deb George at 8:30 a.m. in Room 326.
- II. The minutes were amended:
 - Item III.B.1. Add: The Library Dog will be at the library Monday afternoon.
 - Item III.B.2. Change: Ab to App.
- III. REPORTS:
 - A. PRESIDENT:
 1. Story of Interest. In Brazil, prison sentences can be reduced by four days for every book and book report a person completes.
 2. Book of Interest. THE LIBRARY BOOK by Susan Orlean. A non-fiction book about the Los Angeles Public Library.
 - B. PUBLIC LIBRARIAN:
 1. Budget Meeting with City administrator: Request to increase the Acquisitions Budget by \$4,000 per year for the next two years. Total \$8,000. Also, to increase the Overhead payment to Cornell College by \$6,000 so that the overhead city contribution to Cornell would be \$12,000.
 2. Security Gates: The library security gates need to be replaced. The Public Library will make a \$10,000 capital improvement request from the city to replace one of the two gates. Cornell College will replace the other gate.
 3. Linn County Librarian Meeting: Iowa State Legislators did not approve Matching Funds to qualify for Federal Funds. Iowa is losing funding that could support Iowa Libraries. The Linn County Librarians have invited area legislators to the next county meeting.
 - C. LIBRARIAN: We reviewed the financial report. Part of the carry over money will pay for the new blinds in Room 108. Carry over money can also be used to support Acquisitions.
- IV. MAJOR BUSINESS:
 1. POLICY REVIEW: We finalized our review of LIBRARY BOARD OFFICERS.
 2. The library will be contributing slightly used materials to a library in Belize.
 3. The last book talk was very successful with 61 people.

The next meeting will be Tuesday, December 18, 2018.

Adjournment: 9:28 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted:
Bob Meeker