Billings Public Library Board Meeting
January 9, 2020
12:00 p.m.

Board and City Staff Present:

Roger Young, Chairperson
Andrea Horrell
Hannah Stewart, Assistant
Sue Bach
Jennifer Quinn, Vice Chair
David Darby
Kathy Robins, Information Systems
Peggy McSweyn
Andrea Horrell
Jamie Ogger, Library and Facility
Sue Bach
Coordinator
Not Present:
Cheryle Fisher
Stella Fong
Lloyd Mickelson
Gavin Woltjer, Library Director

Guests:

PJ Smith, Yellowstone Genealogy Forum
Clare Young, Friends of the Library

Public Comment
None

Chair’s Comments

• After the election, a new Chairperson will be in place beginning with the next meeting.
• Gavin is attending the Public Safety meeting today with the Police and Fire chiefs, which is why he is not present. The second session will be held next week.

Consent Agenda

Motion to approve the December minutes. Motion approved.

McSweyn/Bach

Introductions

Jamie Ogger is the new Library and Facility Coordination, replacing Mary Murphrey, who recently retired.

Andrea Horrell was appointed to the Board by the City of Billings’ Mayor Cole. She comes from a family library and book enthusiasts and is excited to learn more about the Billings Public Library and all it has to offer.

Elections

Motion to approve all appointments as noted. All in favor. Motion approved. Elections are effective immediately: Chair – Cheryle Fisher, Vice Chair – Peggy McSweyn, FOL liaison – Roger Young, and Foundation liaison – Lloyd Mickelson.

Darby/Quinn and Bach
Board Continuing Education

Hannah told the Board there are webinars available each month. Gavin will email the Board with information, but he would like to know what they are interested in. The Board requested anything that is pertinent to the Library’s strategic plan, as well as laws to stay updated on changes and anything new.

BPL Strategic Plan

Kathy explained that Staff adds to the Strategic Plan to show what they are doing to accomplish the objectives in the Plan. She specifically highlighted items under Senior Outreach and Reference for examples.

Goals Discussion

Hannah updated the primary volunteers for continuance of the goals set at the fall retreat:

- Chief Information Officer: David will continue to work with Cheryle.
- Branch Research: Peggy and Roger
- STEM Development: Jennifer volunteered to work with Stella.

Amend By-Laws

An amendment to add “In the absence of both the chairperson and vice-chairperson, the immediate past chairperson shall be the presiding officer.”

Motion to accept and add the change as written.

Quinn/McSweyn and Bach

Discussion: The immediate past chairperson’s term could expire.

Motion amended to change “immediate” to “a past” and accept the additional in the by-laws. Motion approved.

Quinn/McSewyn and Bach

Adjourned at 1:05