



MINUTES OF BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
Siouxland Libraries
Prairie West Library
Wednesday, September 11, 2013

1. Roll Call and declaration of quorum. The meeting was called to order at 4:35 PM by Stein. Members present: Kim Regnier, Betsy Rice, Joel Rosenthal, Quinn Stein, and Library Director Mary Johns. Members absent: Gerald Beninga, Laura Reurink
Staff present: Jodi Fick, Jim Oliver, Krystal Pederson and Joan Reddy
2. Motion by Rosenthal and second by Regnier to adopt the agenda. Motion carried.
3. Motion by Rosenthal and second by Regnier to approve the minutes of the July 10, 2013 meeting. Motion carried.
4. Review of financial and statistical reports. Johns distributed the budget report for January through August, 2013. She also distributed the summary report for library activity. Johns highlighted some of the statistics. The Prairie West Branch Library had 22,380 visitors and circulated 28,329 items in August, its first month open. Caille experienced a decrease in circulation as west side residents took advantage of Prairie West's convenience in their neighborhood. The Library's overall circulation increased nearly five percent in August. The quantity and types of library programs have increased phenomenally; Johns said the staff is doing great stuff with programs. The 2014 budget hearings have gone smoothly. The final City budget hearing is September 17. Several positions are being filled now as a result of transfers within the system. Library Board members are welcome to attend the budget hearing and the South Dakota Library Association conference in Sioux Falls.
5. Library Director, Staff and Board Member Reports. Mary Johns and Jodi Fick presented information to the Dell Rapids City Council recently regarding services Siouxland Libraries provides. Johns also had a similar discussion with representatives from Lincoln County and area school districts. Johns distributed the list of Holidays and Library Closures for 2014 and the 2014 Library Board Meeting Schedule. Jim Oliver reported on the library's 2013 summer reading program. The Bookmobile added summer stops and story times at Sioux Falls schools that offer the free summer lunch program. Children's program attendance for summer programs increased by 19% this summer. There were more teen programs and attendees this summer. More children (7% increase) received prizes for completing the summer reading program.
6. Public Input. There was no public present.
7. Unfinished Business. None.
8. New Business. None.