

Delta County Public Library District
Delta County Board of Trustees
Wednesday, December 12, 2018 1pm
Hotchkiss Downstairs
Meeting Minutes

Library Board. Jess Deegan, Laura Earley, Ruth Pettigrew, William Crank, Judy Briscoe, Ann Eddins

Not Present: Stacy Bliss

DCPLD. Lea Hart, LaDonna Gunn, Tracy Ihnot, Kelsy Dysart

Guests. Kathy Steckel, Gayle Davidson

1. **Call to Order.** President Earley called the meeting to order at 1:05pm.
2. **Introduce Guests, Speaker Kathy Steckel.** Kathy Steckel, Executive Director of the North Fork Ambulance; Gayle Davidson, candidate for At-Large Trustee, Library Board. Steckel spoke about the Ambulance District's experience contracting with Triple Point Strategic Consulting (TPSC) for their November 2018 mill levy campaign. TPSC provided regular communication, a timeline, sample letters, media releases, polling, voter information, and a consistent social media/website campaign. Steckel attributes the success of NF Ambulance on the November 2018 ballot to the support TPSC provided.
3. **Public Comments.** No public comment.
4. **Agenda Changes.** Change the date from December 11 to December 12; and 7a from "October Financials" to "November Financials".
5. **Approve Consent Agenda; Minutes from Board Meeting November 14, 2018.** Deegan wanted to clarify that the Passport to Health grand prize is a monthly award. The November Board Minutes were changed to reflect this. M. Deegan. Briscoe 2nd MP.
6. **Accept District Director's Report.** M. Briscoe. Deegan 2nd MP.
7. **Accept Financial Reports**
 - a. **November Financials – Approve.** M. Deegan. Pettigrew 2nd MP.
 - b. **Trust & Endowment – by T & E Board.** Earley reported that Sue Whittlesey, President of the T & E Board, sent a statement to Board Members to review. Earley will be meeting with Whittlesey about partnering with Bank of Colorado for Love Your Libraries.
8. **Old/Continuing Business**
 - a. **District Director's Comments – Updates.** Hart reported that she is hoping to fill the soon to be vacant ILL position internally because previous experience working at a library is an important component for the position. She has received two applications from current staff and interviews will be conducted soon. After the City Council Meeting, Hart met with two members of the council regarding plans for the building in Delta. The city did not reflect matching funds in their budget for the chiller and elevator,

but Hart is feeling positive about the conversations that are happening. Elevator plans were sent to a building representative in Grand Junction to render what different options would look like. Hart and Gunn have discussed consulting with a State Building Inspector to assess the condition of the elevator and chiller to get an unbiased view of which needs to be fixed first. New phones were ordered today, but will not be installed until all libraries are connected to Region 10/Elevate. Old phones will be returned to Rise Broadband. The Discover Health Exhibit will be moving on to another library at the end of the month. Overall, it has been very successful but the exhibit arrived with broken and missing pieces that were never replaced. Staff made multiple attempts to notify the appropriate contacts and received no support. Georgia Hoaglund & Tom Huerkamp from CO Area Health Education Centers intervened on our behalf and the exhibit should be back in order before it moves to Garfield County. About 1400 kids will have toured the exhibit by the end of the month. Staff will submit a full report on their experience.

- b. **TNC, DCED & Grants Updates – LaDonna. TNC:** Gunn gave an update on TNC’s progress with the grant. Progress was slow in the beginning due to multiple factors, but it seems to be moving along now. The Hotchkiss and Crawford StoryWalks® should be installed in 2019 and more activity is expected at the Cedaredge gear hub. **DCED:** Gunn reported that DCED still has not identified its next big project. DCED is currently focusing on building investors. Based on some of the workforce needs identified by DCED, there may be ways for the library district and Technical College of the Rockies to provide some much-needed adult education opportunities for residents. **Grants:** SHF Grant – Gunn and Hart reported on plans for a phased project to raise funds for the Delta building. The phased project will include additional SHF grants, matching funds, and other grants.
- c. **Possible Mil Levy Campaign.** Briscoe, Earley and Hart met last week to discuss options for Plan A (mil levy passes) and Plan B (mil levy does not pass).

9. New Business

- a. **Approval of 2019 Budget Resolution.** Board discussed and Hart answered questions from the Board. Hart read the following resolution:

“Be it resolved by the Board of Trustees of the Delta County Public Library District of Delta and Montrose Counties:

Levy of Property Taxes for 2019

As recorded on line 7 and line 14 of the attached 2019 budget, the tax revenue to be received from Delta County and Montrose County and necessary to balance the budget for the Library District as follows:

Delta County

3 mills on assessed value of \$293,036,245 for a total of \$879,108.72 revenue (revenue account 400)

Montrose County

3 mills on assessed value of \$4,682,840 for a total of \$14,048.52 revenue (revenue account 435)

Budget attached for 2019, showing \$1,431,635 in total expenses, be approved and adopted for 2019.” Motion to approve: Deegan. Earley 2nd. MP

- b. **Appointment of Diane Almy to Trust & Endowment Board.** M. Briscoe, Eddins 2nd. MP

10. Board Member Comments

Briscoe commented on the success of the puppet show in Paonia and the excitement from staff. Earley reported that Cedaredge Friends partnered with Grand

Mesa Arts and Events Center on several programs that were all well attended. She also commented on the Parade of Lights in Cedaredge, Delta, and Crawford.

- 11. Adjourn.** The next Board Meeting is Wednesday, January 16 in Paonia. Motion to adjourn. M. Eddins. Crank 2nd MP. Earley adjourned the meeting at 2:55pm.