

**WESTON COUNTY LIBRARY  
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES**

**February 28, 2014**

President Scott Shoop called the meeting to order at 11:32 am followed by a moment of silence. Board members present were Scott Shoop, Candy Driver-Ratigan, Karen Bowman and Paul Holland. The Library Director Brenda Mahoney-Ayres and Upton Branch Manager Sherri Randall were also present.

**MINUTES:** The minutes of November 22, 2013 were read. Candy Driver-Ratigan made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Paul Holland 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion Carried. The minutes of January 24, 2014 were read. Candy Driver-Ratigan made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Paul Holland 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion Carried.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Brenda passed out the February 2014 Treasurer's reports. The Board read in the report that the Library budget is currently at 51.58% of the total budget. Candy Driver-Ratigan made a motion to accept the report as presented. Karen Bowman 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion Carried.

**DIRECTORS REPORT:** Weston County Library Directors Report: Brenda Mahoney-Ayres discussed the February 2014 Directors report.

The Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) program began on January 27, 2014. Participation has been very good, almost 25 people so far. The program runs through April 14<sup>th</sup>.

On February 10<sup>th</sup>, Enroll Wyoming was available to explain the new Health Insurance Marketplace now open in Wyoming. Navigators were available to help people understand the insurance plans available and to help them sign up for healthcare.gov. Almost 35 people attended.

Employee evaluations have been completed.

Brenda continues to work on the author participation for this year's A Touch of Wyoming arts event. She has been in contact with Jenny Ingram of the Wyoming Humanities Council and has begun work on a mini grant. The library is hoping to bring Cat Urbigkit to the event.

Brenda has been in contact with Craig and Judy Johnson regarding the One Book Wyoming program.

Brenda has begun working on the FY2015 budget.

Brenda is working with Brian Greene with the State Library on the E-rate filing for the FY2015 year and to wrap up last year's filing.

Ellen and Elizabeth Childress brought their baby Dwarf Nigerian goats in for Story Time on February 25<sup>th</sup>. The goats were a huge hit for the young and old alike.

**UPTON LIBRARY:** Sherri Randall presented the Upton Branch February 2014 manager's report.

On February 10<sup>th</sup>, Sherri checked on some strange noises in the meeting room and discovered a water leak in a water line in the wall. The shutoff valve was replaced. Black Hills Plumbing was first contacted but, was unable to respond timely. Power River Heating from Gillette came and repaired the water line break.

Sherri read to the Polka Tots Daycare on February 19<sup>th</sup>.

Upton Branch Library will be hosting a book signing for local author, Nicolas Trandahl on March 12<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 to 5:00 pm. His latest novel of contemporary fiction and is set in Massachusetts.

Upton Branch will be hosting a book discussion on March 27<sup>th</sup>. The book up for discussion will be *Cannery Row* by John Steinbeck. The discussion leader will be Betty Strong, who also leads our Wyoming Humanities Council book discussions.

The Upton Branch has been working on ideas for the upcoming "One Book Wyoming" project, National Library Week and the summer reading program.

**WESTON COUNTY LIBRARY FOUNDATION REPORT:** Paul Holland gave a foundation report. Paul stated that Board discussed some financial issues that have been worked out now. He stated the finances are doing well and the Libraries should be able to spend some funds soon for upcoming projects.

**OLD BUSINESS:** No Old Business to discuss.

**NEW BUSINESS:** No New Business to discuss.

The meeting adjourned at 11:50 PM.

The next meeting will be held March 28, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Bowman  
Secretary