

**Library Board of Trustee
Meeting Minutes**

DATE: September 10, 2019
TIME: 5:30 P.M.
PLACE: White Pine County Library
Ely, Nevada

CALL TO ORDER

Library Trustee Bruce Eldridge called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. Tuesday, September 10, 2019 at the County Library.

ROLL CALL

Those present were Andy Britton, Sandra Robertson, Kathy Brumley, Bruce Eldridge, Commission Liaison Travis Godon and Director Lori Romero. Diane Hansen was absent.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Minutes of July 9, 2019 were approved. Kathy Brumley made the motion to approve. Andy Britton seconded the motion. All approved. Bruce Eldridge abstained.

Minutes of July 30, 2019 were approved. Sandra Robertson made the motion to approve with a correction. Kathy Brumley seconded the motion. Andy Britton abstained.

DIRECTOR AND STAFF REPORTS

A. Monthly Statistics

July and August statistics were presented. The circulation statistics were not available.

B. FY 2019-2020 Budget

Mrs. Romero presented the monthly budget spreadsheet in the format. Sandra Robertson inquired if the Book & Periodical budget was divided out by the twelve months to determine what is spent. Mrs. Romero replied no.

DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: Approval of LSTA Community Enrichment Grant Application in the Amount of \$2600 with a \$260 match

Mrs. Romero explained this grant will provide the opportunity to digitalize the local newspaper so it could be accessed by others from any computer outside the library. Currently the newspapers are on microfilm and only accessible by coming to the library.

The \$2600 is the balance of the \$10,000 available to White Pine. The Friends of the Library will put \$2110 into the project so 15 years of newspapers could be made available online. This would cover the \$260 match. Mrs. Romero stated if awarded the grant she will need to get permission from the owner of the newspaper to digitalize and make it available. Andy Britton made the motion to approve the LSTA Community Enrichment Grant application in the Amount of \$2600 with a \$260 match. Kathy Brumley seconded the motion. All approved.

DISCUSSION/FOR POSSIBLE ACTION: Approval to move forward with the ERATE team in order to establish a fiber Internet connection to the library

Bruce Eldridge and Saundra Robertson stated the meeting on July 30th with the E-Rate team was very informative. Bruce stated the installation is the biggest cost. The library could bring the fiber up from the street below and the courthouse could tie in later at their own expense. Commission Liaison Travis Godon added the cost is huge and if the library doesn't pursue the fiber connection, the courthouse and library will be left behind. Saundra Robertson expressed the need to move forward. Mrs. Romero expressed concerns regarding the balance between the actual cost of the project and what E-Rate will cover. Will the County come through with the balance and the higher monthly Internet cost? The finances will have to be dealt with through the budget cycle. Andy Britton made the motion to move forward with the E-Rate Team to establish a fiber Internet connection to the library. Saundra Robertson seconded the motion. All approved.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

Vouchers were signed and approved in the amount of \$7,698.06 for July 9, 2019 - September 10, 2019. Saundra Robertson made the motion. Kathy Brumley seconded the motion. All approved.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting was adjourned at 6:15 PM. Kathy Brumley made the motion. Andy Britton seconded the motion. All approved.