

**HERMISTON PUBLIC LIBRARY
LIBRARY BOARD MEETING
August 12, 2015**

Board Chairperson Lori Spencer, called the meeting to order at 4:10. Members present were, Nancy Brown, Kay Bennett, John Douglass, and Anne Doherty. Marie Baldo, Library Director was also present.

The minutes of the May 27 2015 meeting were approved as written.

Under unfinished business: The librarian reported on the results of the three Summer Reading programs that are ending. All three had excellent attendance.

Under New Business: The librarian briefed the board on the \$250,000 ArtPlace Grant awarded to Libraries of Eastern Oregon (LEO) libraries. During the next 18 months libraries in LEO will receive multiple programs related to the humanities and several traveling art exhibitions such a Native American Art Display. The librarian also briefed the board on plans for the 2016 Ready2Read grant which is the main source of funds for the Summer Reading Program. She also discussed a NASA grant that was submitted for a traveling exhibition. Notice on that grant will be received by September.

The State Library directed Edge Assessment was discussed. This assessment is intended to help libraries to determine the status of libraries to provide digital content and education to their communities.

Finally the librarian was proud to announce that with an ALA grant Kelly Martinez would be a delegate at the Guadalajara International Book Fair in December.

Under the librarian's report : Upcoming events were reviewed.

Other matters to come before the board: The Board was notified that Jeanine Bennett would be celebrating her 25th Anniversary at the library on September 18. The staff would like to hold a reception for her in the main library on that afternoon and invite her family, city officials and the community to stop by and celebrate with her. The board voted to provide flowers for the event.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:46. The next meeting is scheduled for September 23, 2015 at 4:00 pm. in the Lanham room.



**Marie L. Baldo
Library Director**