

Bonneville County Library District

Minutes

A public hearing of the Board of Trustees of the Bonneville County Library District was held at the Idaho Falls Public Library, 457 W. Broadway, Idaho Falls, Idaho, on May 3rd, 2022, 10:30 am. Called to order at 10:35 am.

Present: Chair Jennifer Crofts, Debra Haacke, Jenni Cragun, Karen Harris, and Rebecca Blackson. Other attendees included IFPL trustees Kristin Hall and Rodd Rapp, as well as members of the public.

On motions duly made and seconded after due deliberation, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

RESOLVED, that the payment to IFPL for the service contract and the bill to MSBT Law was approved for payment.

The board discussed IFPL's unanimous vote to oppose the BCLD's recent counter-offer and also discussed possibilities of creating an independent library.

Public comments were made regarding the service agreement between the district and the library and plans for the Bonneville County Library.

Karen Harris motioned to wait to move forward with an independent library until IFPL presented another counter-offer. Jennifer Crofts seconded. In favor: Karen Harris, Jennifer Crofts. Opposed: Debra Haacke, Rebecca Blackson, and Jenni Cragun.

Rebecca Blackson motioned to end contract negotiations with IFPL and instead to open and run the Bonneville County Library. Debra Haacke seconded. In favor: Rebecca Blackson, Debra Haacke, Jenni Cragun. Opposed: Karen Harris and Jennifer Crofts. Motion passed with a majority.

Rebecca Blackson motioned to make statements to the public and the news outlets after the attorney has written an addendum officially ending good faith negotiations and it has been signed by the board chairs. Debra Haacke seconded. Approved unanimously.

The next BCLD meeting will be a work session held on May 9th at 10:30 am.

Karen Harris motioned at 12:51 pm to move to executive session to discuss hiring an interim director. Debra Haacke seconded. Executive session ended at 1:38 pm.