



The Rawlins Library Board Meeting was held Monday, September 27 at 5:15 PM in the South Dakota Room. Amy Weller, Jill Kruger, Sue Douglas, Renae Lehman, Commissioner Representative Vona Johnson, and Library Director Abby Edwardson were in attendance. Sue Douglas motioned to approve the agenda and minutes Jill Kruger seconded the motion.

The Librarian's Report was discussed first. The Director thanked both Amy and Sue for their years of service to the library as their term has ended and this was their last board meeting. The carnival that had 250 plus in attendance as well as upcoming events in October. The next Friends of the Library meeting will be Monday, October 17th. Financial reports and statistical reports were provided to the board. The overall patron count has decreased because of a purge of patron cards that were expired for five or more years.

The Unattended Children's Policy was reviewed and discussion was held about what to do if unattended children present behavior problems in the library. It was suggested that an amendment be added to the Patron Code of Conduct that states something to the effect of: "When this code of conduct has been violated, Rawlins Library reserves the right to have patrons removed from library property. Patrons in violation of the Patron Code of Conduct will be asked to leave the building and library property. If the patron does not willingly leave the premises, the Pierre Police Department will be contacted to remove the patron." The following business day, the Library Director will meet with the staff member(s) who witnessed the event and determine an appropriate course of action. The amendment will be brought to the October meeting and the amendment will be applicable to patrons of all ages, not just minors.

Noticeable revisions were made to the Unattended Child Policy include: changing the age of a unattended minor from 7 to 8, changing the age of the responsible person from 12 to 14, changing the time that unattended children call for a ride from 20 minutes to 30 minutes, and that unattended children wait inside for a ride verses outside the building. Renae Lehman motioned to approve the Unattended Policy and Sue Douglas seconded the motion.

The Technology Plan had been sent to the board members prior to the meeting for review. The Technology Plan is a required document that libraries need to keep updating over time and technology changes. Sue Douglas motioned to approve the Technology Plan and Commissioner Johnson seconded the motion.

Discussion was held about the book *Too Bright to See* and the placement of materials on display. No board action was taken. Amy Weller motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:00 PM and Sue Douglas seconded the motion. The next meeting was tentatively set for Wed., Oct. 26 or Thur., Oct. 27 at 5:15 pm.

Abby Edwardson

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Library Director

Amy Weller

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Board President