

**Community Library Network
Board of Trustees Budget Hearing Minutes
August 13, 2020
Post Falls Library**

We Empower Discovery

Trustees present: Katie Blank, Bob Fish, Regina McCrea, Michele Veale

Staff present: John Hartung, Rebecca Melton, Janelle Sells

Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Katie Blank, Chair

Roll call: Katie Blank, Bob Fish, Regina McCrea, Michele Veale; Judy Meyer was absent

Board Chair comments: Blank read the ground rules for public speakers:

Speakers must live within the District.

Speakers must state name and address and may speak for no more than 5 minutes

Blank welcomed the three members in attendance and noted two major events of this year: the announcement that the Director, John Hartung, intends to retire and the COVID-19 pandemic which forced the closure of our libraries.

Introductions:

Board members introduced themselves.

Public input:

Glen Seely, Hayden, expressed his concern that the District budget proposal shows an increase in the taxes requested for the next fiscal year. He expected a rebate on taxes because of the closure. He would like to see a different way of publicizing the budget hearing. People are objecting to an increase in taxes. He discussed foregone, saying that it would still be available at a future point in time. Seely exceeded his 5 minutes, but Blank allowed him to finish his comments. He discussed the Board's fiduciary responsibility and suggested making changes in payroll. He also noted that the Coeur d'Alene Library budget is less in 2021.

Board member comments

McCrea asked Seely if he was aware that other public entities receive non-property tax revenue. The District relies almost exclusively on property taxes. She invited the members present to attend the next meetings (August 20 and 27) where the budget will be discussed and approved.

Adjournment: action item

The meeting was adjourned at 6:20

M, C, Veale

Respectfully submitted,

John Hartung, Rebecca Melton

Calendar of events:

Aug 20:	2 - 5	Post Falls	regular meeting
Aug 27:	6	Post Falls	special Board meeting
Sep 17:	2 - 5	Pinehurst	regular meeting

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