



Directors Report June 2017

Following the May board meeting I attended the CIP Grant workshop. The facilitator believed we would not qualify for the operating grant stream of funding but could submit for the project based funding. The process is now a 6-9 month wait.

I attended the Library Managers Council meetings in Elk Point on May 17th. Outcomes from that meeting:

- Hoopla has been growing rapidly in popularity and is costing much more than was projected. We voted to reduce the number of Hoopla items a month from 10-8 at this time.
- Lynda.com was introduced as a possible database
- 100% of our book allotment can now be used for outside purchases
- We participated in a focus group for the NLLS plan of service.
- Aimie also attended a workshop at that time on summer reading programs.

We have settled on a theme and date to replace the COW Bus. "Word on the Block: A summer street party" will be Tuesday, July 11th 10:00 am – 2 pm. We will have a performance from Kompany Family Theatre on the same day. It should be a great kick off to summer programs at the library.

I have hired Josee Mercier, our student from last summer, to fill the STEP Grant position, she started work June 6th. I am currently calling references for the CSJ position, which will be filled by a high school student in July & August.

I am waiting for word from the AG Society on a free table at the farmer's market. I have offered to bring our Lego to the market as a children's activity in return for a free table to promote the library. Josee and Aimie are also working on some programming to take place in parks around town as library outreach.

The feedback from the Plan of Service focus group has been very positive. I think most participants were glad to have been asked and are looking forward to the outcomes.