

IX. NEW BUSINESS

A. August Trustee Connections – Information Item

The 2016 Public Library Directors Summit identified support for board development among the top 10 challenges the directors face. In response to that need, Commission staff have developed an agenda for “Trustee Connections,” a 6-hour workshop for public library trustees and directors that will be held in 4 locations.

The purpose of these regional meetings is to bring together trustees and directors for conversation and leadership development. Planned outcomes include:

- Understanding of the respective roles of trustees and directors,
- Awareness of community building strategies,
- Knowledge of strategic planning tools and processes.

At the 2017 Public Library Directors Summit, we asked participants to identify their priority content areas for board development. Based on that input, the agenda will include:

- Legal basics, concurrent sessions for city libraries and district libraries – led by the Commission’s public library consultants.
- Leadership, including board and director roles and responsibilities, planning, community engagement and partnerships, and future thinking – led by Phil Eastman with Leadership Advisors in Boise.
- Success stories – some attendees will be invited to briefly share a significant accomplishment in establishing the library as a recognized community asset.

The dates and sites are:

- August 7 ~ Coeur d’Alene Public Library
- August 9 ~ Middleton Public Library
- August 10 ~ Twin Falls Public Library
- August 11 ~ Madison Library District, Rexburg

The event will start at 9 am and run through 3:30 pm. Lunch will be provided. Registration is available at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/trusteeconnections>.