

Great Falls Public Library

Board of Trustees

Job Description

Our Vision

Explore, discover, connect
See you @ the Library!

Our Mission

The Great Falls Public Library serves as a connection point; we empower the community and enhance quality of life by providing individuals access to information and social, cultural and recreational resources.

Position

The advisory board of the Great Falls Public Library exists to advise, recommend and advocate for the library in the city of Great Falls, Montana and within Cascade County, Montana. The board supports the work of the library and provides leadership to the library director as well as leadership to the community regarding library services and resources. Although the operations are managed by the library director, the board-director relationship is a partnership.

Responsibilities

- Supports basic library tenets such as Intellectual Freedom, Freedom to Read, Library Bill of Rights, Public's Right to Information and Confidentiality of Patron Record
- Participates in the ongoing responsibilities of the governing body, including establishment of library policies and planning for current and future library services and programs
- Attends all regular and special meetings of the Board and participates in committees and activities as necessary; attends appropriate library functions
- Advocate for the library in the community and advocate for the community as a member of the library board
- Lends expertise and experience to the organization

Qualifications

- Commitment to provide the best possible library service for the community
- An abiding interest in the library and the community
- Ability to contribute adequate time for effective participation in board activities and decision making
- Ability to work with people, lead meetings and communicate effectively
- Ability to work with governmental bodies, agencies and other libraries

Time Commitment

The Board of Trustees meets monthly at the library. Meetings are held on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 4:30 and generally last 1 hour. Board members are appointed by the City Commission for a 5 year term and are eligible for re-appointment for one additional term.