Call to Order, Roll Call and Determination of Quorum
Pat Powell, President, called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. in the Virginia G. Young Room of the Columbia Public Library.

Powell welcomed Lynn Hostetler and Gena Scott to the Board, and congratulated Susan Daly, John French and Tonya Hays-Martin on their reappointments. She noted that one new Trustee will be appointed to the CLD board next week.

The trustees introduced themselves and stated on which district board they serve. A quorum of members was present.

Board members present were: Julie Baka; Dorothy Carner; Angie Crumbliss; Daly; Mary Fennel; French; Lisa Groshong; Philip Harrison; Hays-Martin, Vice-President/Secretary; Terry K. Higgins; Hostetler; Michael Luebbert; Powell, President; Scott; MaryEllen Sievert and Bill Young. Mary Ann Beahon and Jim Jones, Warrant Officer, were absent.

Also in attendance were Catherine Martin of the Columbia Daily Tribune, DBRL Director Melissa Carr and staff members Elinor Barrett, Amanda Burke, Patrick Finney, Kirk Henley, Melanie Henry, Sarah Howard, Patricia Miller, Karen Neely, Greg Reeves, Johnathan Shoff, Jim Smith and Mitzi St. John.

Public Comment
There was no comment from the public in attendance.

Approval of Minutes
Powell asked for corrections or changes to the minutes from the meeting of June 13, 2013. Hearing none, she declared the minutes approved as written.

Director’s Comments
Carr pointed out the quantity of materials donated on page three of the Service Report and noted what a benefit the donations are to DBRL. Recent monetary donations to the Raise the Top Shelf campaign for SBCPL will enable us to order the final pieces of shelving. Staff anticipate finalizing and installing the campaign’s donor recognition piece by the end of the summer. Carr also noted the donation from the Assistance League of Mid-Missouri for the benefit of our Parent Packs and the donation from Phi Kappa Phi for use in conjunction with Bookmobile, Jr. The majority of donations received at CPL this month were in memory of Audrey Rottinghaus.

Carr invited the Trustees to sign out a copy of the One Read selection, “The Ruins of Us,” and plan to attend a Board discussion of the book from 5:00-6:00 p.m. (immediately prior to the Regional Board Meeting) on September 12.

Carr noted that the Board List will be reprinted next month, following the appointment of a Trustee to take the CLD seat left vacant by David Webber. She asked the Trustees to review their information and submit any corrections or updates as soon as possible.

Henley presented information regarding the LSTA grant-funded e-reader station at CPL, at which patrons can “test drive” various devices. He is presenting a hands-on workshop at each DBRL facility about the most popular devices. Henley noted that the library now owns about 7,000 eBook titles, and 450-500 electronic materials are checked out each day through DBRL’s current vendor, OverDrive. In response to a question from French, Henley stated that the Nook Tablet from Barnes & Noble is being discontinued. In response to a question from Young,
Henley stated that the trends in e-material circulation are that electronic audiobook circulation is flat and eBook circulation is rapidly increasing. In response to a question from Hostetler, Henley said that the cost of eBooks varies from publisher to publisher. In response to a question from Crumbliss on the conflict between some eBook publishers and libraries, Henley noted that a multi-publisher catalog interface is being developed by 3M and more competition is emerging. Carr added that libraries must continue to push for a universal interface, and she will ask Kopp to follow up with an update later this year.

Carner stated her approval for acquiring a service such as Zinnio, which will provide patrons access to magazines that have gone to digital-only production. She noted that such action by periodical publishers has created a divide between the “haves” (those who have digital access) and the “have-nots.” Carr stated that staff are seriously discussing acquiring Zinnio, and explained that DBRL would pay the access fee and choose the magazine titles that will be offered to patrons.

**Monthly Reports**

Powell asked for comments or questions regarding the Financial, Service and Director’s Reports, which were included in the Trustees’ packets. Powell noted that Smith’s written comments at the back of the Financial Report provide an excellent explanation and often answer any questions she may think of. Baka stated that it would be helpful to receive a refresher on how to read the financial statements. Carr stated that a short session can be held prior to the August Board Meeting to review why and how the tax rates are set, as well as give the requested refresher on interpreting the financial statements.

**District Board Reports**

**Boone County Library District:** Carner reported that the BCLD Board met prior to this meeting and elected the following officers:

- President: Dorothy Carner
- Vice-President/Secretary: Angie Crumbliss
- Warrant Officer: Susan Daly

**Callaway County Library District:** Hays-Martin reported that the CCLD Board met prior to this meeting and elected the following officers:

- President: Mary Ann Beahon
- Vice-President: Mary Fennel
- Secretary/Warrant Officer: Mike Luebbert

**Columbia Library District:** Baka reported that the CLD Board met after the Regional Board Meeting on June 13 and approved accepting a gift from local artist Ben Cameron. The painting, “Big Band,” is currently hanging on the clay brick wall on the first floor and will be moved to a permanent location on the third floor later this year. The CLD Board also discussed moving the book drops from the south parking lot at CPL to the north parking lot. Due to a variety of factors, that idea is not currently feasible, but staff were directed to investigate adding a third book drop in the north parking lot. The CLD Board also met prior to this meeting and elected Hostetler to the Finance Committee.
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Old Business
2013 Implementation Strategies – CPL Early Childhood Literacy Area Update: Carr noted that she, Howard, Shoff and Brandy Sanchez were able to meet with Burgeon Group representatives at the ALA Annual Meeting in Chicago, as well as interact with several of their products. Howard reported that staff recommend purchasing the installation called “h is for house,” three “seed pod kiosks” with activities that can be switched out to correspond to specific themes and events, and three colorful “resin rings” that hang from the ceiling and visually lead patrons to the installation. Howard revealed the new tagline developed for DBRL early childhood services region-wide: “Read, Play, Shine!” The tagline will be inscribed on the resin rings.

Carr reviewed the funding for this project, which is comprised of a $10,000 gift from Donald and Mercein Duncan and a $50,000 anonymous gift.

ACTION: Daly moved, Sievert seconded implementing CPL’s Early Childhood Literacy Area project designed and constructed by the Burgeon Group at a cost not to exceed the $60,000 in private donations held by the DBRL Foundation.

Groshong stated that she was also able to speak with Burgeon staff at ALA and view their products; she noted that children were enthusiastically interacting with their displays. She had a favorable impression of the products. Carr reminded the Board that the Burgeon Group creates installations only for public libraries, guarantees their work and builds pieces based on the six early literacy skills. Howard added that the activities are stimulating but not overwhelming for children.

ACTION: The motion passed.

2013 Implementation Strategies – Second Quarter Report: Carr stated that the document is used internally to plan projects and keep staff on track to complete goals. There were no questions about the report.

New Business
Powell stated that consideration of revised Policy 2-775 (Gifts) is postponed for further editing.

Miscellaneous
Daly noted that the sign at the Library-To-Go in Hallsville has become faded, and Powell added that the Summer Reading banner in Ashland also looks faded.

In response to a question from Hays-Martin, Carr stated that she hopes to have an update for the Trustees on the possibility of a Library-To-Go in Holts Summit at the August meeting.

Higgins reported that she received a compliment on CCPL from a patron in Fulton recently and Higgins made sure to inform her that the services she enjoys are the result of membership in the regional library system.

Public Comment
There was no comment from the public in attendance.

Staff Comments/Announcements
Reeves noted that the new shelving, made possible by a donation from the Friends of the CCPL, has been installed in Fulton.

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Carr distributed Groshong’s ALA report. Powell encouraged the Trustees to attend the 2014 meeting in Las Vegas. Higgins stated that she will be on the program committee for the 2014 conference and she welcomes any ideas for programs.

Powell announced that the Trustee Activity for July is to introduce yourself to and learn something about a Trustee you do not know well.

Powell reminded the Trustees that they can interact with a range of e-readers and ask questions of Henley following the meeting.

Adjournment
Powell adjourned the meeting at 6:58 p.m.

Minutes recorded by Amanda Burke, DBRL staff.

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Board Secretary