Missoula County

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Commissioners Seeking Applicants for Library Board Alternate Vacancy

The Missoula County Commissioners are seeking applicants to fill an alternate position vacancy on the Missoula Public Library Board. Applications will be accepted until 5 p.m. on March 3, 2017.

The Missoula Public Library Board develops policy and oversees the fiscal operations of the library. The Board also supervises the Library Director and prepares the annual budget for approval by the governing bodies. The Library currently has one alternate member term vacant through June 30, 2017. At the end of the term (June 30, 2017) the alternate member can reapply to be reappointed to a new five-year alternate term.

The Library alternate member shall be appointed by the Board of County Commissioners. Alternate status was established in July of 1994 by the Commissioners to assist in the orderly replacement of a member in the event the Library Board had a vacancy by providing a pool of citizens familiar with Board business and responsibilities.

The alternate member shall not advance to trustee status until he/she is appointment to the Board by the Commissioners. The selected alternate is expected to attend all meetings and participate fully in discussion without voting rights.

Applications are available on the County <u>website</u> and may be submitted online or to Sarah Bell in the Commissioners' Office, located at 199 West Pine Street in Missoula.