

MINUTES
Board of Trustees
Edwardsville Public Library

Date: April 29, 2009
Time: 7:02 p.m.
Place: Meeting Room

A. Call to order and roll call of members:

President LaRose called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Members present:

Gary Denué
Pete Fornof
Kim Harrison
Robert LaRose
Tonya McDade
JoAnn Nabe
Sharon Whittaker
Gloria Zupanci

Absent:

Emily Gates

B. Introduction of guests:

Librarian-Director Deanne W. Holshouser, Assistant-Director Susan Carr

C. Disposition of regular minutes:

Motion by Kim Harrison, seconded by Gary Denué to approve minutes of the Wednesday, March 25th Board meeting.

Motion carried.

D. Communications:

Deanne received a disc of images of the Library from Allen Lanham, Dean of Library Services at Eastern Illinois University. The images were taken for the *Art and Architecture* in Illinois Libraries project, an online database funded through an LSTA Grant from The Illinois State Library.

E. Committee Reports:

1) Building

J. F. Electric has been replacing light bulbs inside and outside the building, and raising the east slope lights above the landscaping. The landscaping on the west side of the building has been mulched and refreshed. The new book shelf built by Bill Cerny has been installed near the adult circ desk. A dedication plaque has been ordered.

2) *Personnel*

Staff evaluations will be held next week.

A joint Personnel and Finance Committee meeting will be held prior to the Wednesday, May 27th Board meeting at 6:30 p.m.

The staff will give presentations for their group projects on ideas for new library services Friday evening, May 1st after an appreciation dinner.

3) *Elf Liaison*

Rich Walker will give a talk about the Wildey Theatre “Living History Project” on Thursday, May 7th at 7:00 p.m. at the Library.

Alton author John Dunphy gave a book talk Thursday, April 16th on his book “It Happened at the River Bend.” It was well attended.

The Elfs will sell snacks and used books at the Edwardsville Municipal Band Concert on Thursday, July 9th.

The Elfs are tentatively planning a resume writing and interviewing workshop in June.

4) *Ad Hoc Committee*

a. *Long Range Planning*

A *Date with Dewey* event is being planned for the last week in September.

F. Lewis & Clark Report:

The LCLS Board met and passed their 2009-10 budget. Handicap doors have been installed through a donation. A group representing LCLS attended *Illinois Library Day* on Thursday, April 23, 2009. Tuesday, June 16th is the last Board meeting before the new fiscal year begins at the System. There will be an open house at 4:45 p.m. before the meeting begins. Ameren gave LCLS “Kill a Watt EZ power readers” to distribute to member libraries. Edwardsville Library received one for patron checkout.

G. Librarian-Director Report:

The Library was awarded a \$1,500.00 SIUE Meridian Grant to purchase “English as a Second Language” materials. Associate Professor of English Joel Hardman wrote the grant.

Carol Keene has donated \$1,500.00 to the summer reading program, themed “Read on the Wild Side.” The Elfs have volunteered to pay the balance.

Deanne will submit a report to Mayor Niebur for his State of the City report. She will attend the City Council meeting on Tuesday, May 5th and the reception that follows.

Deanne met Governor Quinn at the O’Fallon Library and extended an invitation to visit our Library.

Deanne noted that the Illinois Constitution calls for the Oath of Office to be administered to Board members on or before their first official Board meeting after their appointment/reappointment.

H. Finance Committee:

Motion by Gary Denué, seconded by Tonya McDade to approve the bills prepaid by the City Clerk in the amount of \$78,515.35.

Roll call:

- Denué – yes
- Fornof – yes
- Harrison – yes
- McDade – yes
- Nabe – yes
- Zupanci – yes
- Whittaker – yes
- LaRose - yes

Motion carried.

Motion Gary Denué, seconded by Kim Harrison to approve the bills to the City Clerk in the amount of \$44,931.78.

Roll call:

- Denué – yes
- Fornof – yes
- Harrison – yes
- McDade – yes
- Nabe – yes
- Zupanci – yes
- Whittaker – yes
- LaRose - yes

Motion carried.

I. Unfinished Business:

The Board discussed expansion in terms of closing or not closing Kansas Street.

Motion by Kim Harrison to accept the Engberg Anderson contract as is with a fee of \$204,000.00 plus a contingency not to exceed 10% of the contract price. The Library requires preliminary illustration alternatives, as discussed at the April 29th Board meeting, showing two alternative schematics.

Roll call:

Denué – yes

Fornof – yes

Harrison – yes

McDade – yes

Nabe – yes

Zupanci – yes

Whittaker – yes

LaRose - yes

Motion carried.

J. New Business:

None.

K. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned by President LaRose at 8:32 p.m.