

MINUTES
Board of Trustees
Edwardsville Public Library

Date: August 26, 2009
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Place: Meeting Room

A. Call to order and roll call of members:

President Robert LaRose called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members present:

Gary Denué
Kim Harrison
Robert LaRose
JoAnn Nabe
Sharon Whittaker
Gloria Zupanci

Absent:

Emily Gates
Pete Fornof

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, July 29th Board meeting.

Motion carried.

D. Communications:

Deanne read a thank you note to the Board members from Tonya McDade.

Mayor Niebur sent a letter thanking Tonya McDade for her years of service as a Board member for the Edwardsville Public Library.

Patron Bethany Salgat sent an email expressing satisfaction with the Overdrive downloadable book service.

The USO sent a letter thanking the Library for donating advance copy books to the Lambert Airport facility.

A Holiday Shores resident sent a letter asking to be taken off the mailing list for the EPL Newsletter.

E. Committee Reports:

1) Building

Deanne read the minutes of the Wednesday, August 19th Building Committee meeting.

Motion by Kim Harrison, seconded by Gary Denué to go into closed session at 7:40 p.m. to discuss the purchase of real-estate property.

Motion carried.

Motion by President LaRose to move out of executive session at 7:53 p.m.

Motion carried.

Deanne presented the bids received for the roof replacement project.

Motion by Gary Denué, seconded by Gloria Zupanci to accept the Kehrer Brothers Construction Inc. bid of \$76,980.00 for the roof replacement as the lowest responsible bidder for the project.

Roll call:

Denué - yes

Harrison - yes

Nabe - yes

Whittaker - yes

Zupanci - yes

LaRose - yes

Motion carried.

Deanne noted that the roof replacement and the skylight replacement projects will need to be coordinated. The architect firm Engberg Anderson suggests that the roof replacement be done first. It was noted that costs may be incurred to repair park grounds after construction is finished.

Deanne spoke with Brown Realty but has not received a response.

2) Personnel

Wilson Bock, the new custodian, has been doing a great job cleaning the carpets and doing minor repairs.

Gwen Bumpers, our cataloger, is expecting a baby and will be out for several weeks. Joyce DeValk has just retired from SIUE and will fill in during Gwen's leave.

Deanne received an emotional phone call from a patron thanking Carey Harvengt and Judy Thompson for their recent assistance. She talked about the importance of having a place in the community where people can go for help.

3) *Elf Liaison*

Sharon Whittaker reported that the Elfs made \$71.50 selling books and \$183.95 for food at the Municipal Band concert. They plan to include diabetic snacks in their food selection next year.

4) *Ad Hoc Committee*

- a. *Long Range Planning*
None.

F. Lewis & Clark Report:

Joanne Nabe reported that LCLS did not schedule a Board meeting in August. The next meeting will be in September.

G. Librarian-Director Report:

Barb Driesner will report on the children's summer reading program at the next Board meeting.

Deanne will certify that the Board members have reviewed the Illinois Library Laws and Administrative Ready Reference at the next Board meeting for the 2010 Per Capita Grant application. The Grant application will be approved at that meeting also, on Wednesday, September 30th.

H. Finance Committee:

Motion by Gary Denué, seconded by JoAnn Nabe to approve the bills prepaid by the City Clerk in the amount of \$62,389.68.

Roll call:

Denué - yes
Harrison - yes
Nabe - yes
Whittaker - yes
Zupanci - yes
LaRose - yes

Motion carried.

Motion by Gary Denué, seconded by Kim Harrison to approve the bills to the City Clerk in the amount of \$33,454.48.

Roll call:

Denué - yes

Harrison - yes

Nabe - yes

Whittaker - yes

Zupanci - yes

LaRose - yes

Motion carried.

I. Unfinished Business:

Deanne reported that the Nominating Committee recommended the slate of President-Robert LaRose, Vice President-Pete Fornof and Secretary-Emily Gates for new officers for FY 2009-2010.

Motion by Kim Harrison, seconded by JoAnn Nabe to accept the Nominating Committee's slate of nominees of President-Robert LaRose, Vice President-Pete Fornof and Secretary-Emily Gates for new officers for FY 2009-2010.

Motion carried.

J. New Business:

Deanne reported that Emily Gates will purchase and organize a "Family Basket" funded by Board members to be auctioned off at the Date with Dewey event.

K. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned by President LaRose at 8:29 p.m.