

MINUTES
Board of Trustees
Edwardsville Public Library

Date: June 30, 2010
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Place: Conference Room

Call to order and roll call of members:

Vice President Fornof called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members present:

Gary Denué
Pete Fornof
Emily Gates
JoAnn Nabe
Francie Powell
Sharon Whittaker
Gloria Zupanci

Absent:

Kim Harrison
Robert LaRose

A. Introduction of guests:

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

B. Disposition of regular minutes:

Motion by Sharon Whittaker, seconded by Gloria Zupanci to approve the minutes of the May 26th, 2010 Board meeting.

Motion carried.

C. Communications:

Deanne read six emails from the “contact us” link on the library website that spoke in support and appreciation of the Library’s value, services and programs.

Deanne received a thank you letter from the Main Street Community Center for the Library’s donation of books on cassette and a magnifying reader.

D. Committee Reports:

1) Personnel

Mary Meyer and Megan Carlson plan to attend online library school programs in the fall at UIUC and Clarion College respectively.

Former employee Kevin Becker's father passed away last week. Several staff members will attend a memorial service on Thursday, July 1st.

Deanne presented Emily Gates with a gift of books from the Board members for her daughter Betsy, who was born in May.

2) *Building*

Deanne reported that the fence around the air conditioning unit damaged by a fallen tree limb has been repaired.

Deanne reported that architect Joe Huberty and Alex Ramsey from EngbergAnderson along with engineers came for a meeting to discuss plans for the renovation. Alex went over several design options that are being considered. It was suggested that purchasing more laptops could expand patron computer access options. Tentative plans call for going out for bids in September and construction in December.

Deanne called the St. Louis Tile and Roof Co. concerning repairing the tile roof leak.

E. Elf Report:

Sharon reported that the Elfs plan to sell concessions and books at the Munny Band concert on Thursday, July 15th. She noted that the concession tables' location has been moved to the south side of the park.

Sharon reported that topics being considered for future programs include a talk by a Christian romance author, a speaker giving canning and preserving tips and a program on tea and scones.

F. Ad Hoc Committees:

None.

G. Lewis & Clark Report:

JoAnn reported that all the consultant jobs have been eliminated at the LCLS and a merger of the four southern Library systems is being discussed. Leslie Bednar has been appointed Acting Director for LCLS and the staff has begun a 37 ½ hour work week as of July 1st.

JoAnn noted that she has been elected the Treasurer for LCLS Board and April Hosto is a new Board member from the the Madison County Law Library.

H. Librarian-Director's Report:

Deanne reported that attendance at the summer reading programs has been up from last year. Anne Wolfe estimated 300 people were at the magic show on Wednesday, June 30th. Anne has contacted daycare facilities to encourage sign ups.

Deanne reiterated that the Library is closely monitoring the state-wide situation with the library systems, as it can have a huge impact on how we serve our community.

The Library received a photograph of the raising of the flag at Iwo Jima from Allison's Friends of Hope signed by Medal of Honor recipients. It is hanging above the Reference computers and will have a plaque and newspaper announcement in the near future.

I. Finance:

Motion by Gary Denu, seconded by Sharon Whittaker to approve the bills to the City Clerk in the amount of \$ 57,151.27.

Roll call:

- Denu – yes
- Gates – yes
- Nabe – yes
- Powell – yes
- Whittaker – yes
- Zupanci – yes
- Fornof – yes

Motion carried.

Motion by Emily Gates, seconded by Sharon Whittaker to approve the prepaid bills in the amount of \$ 50,870.72.

Roll call:

- Denu – yes
- Gates – yes
- Nabe – yes
- Powell – yes
- Whittaker – yes
- Zupanci – yes
- Fornof – yes

Motion carried.

President LaRose telephoned in for a discussion about a meeting held with City Administrator Ben Dickmann, himself and Deanne concerning the City parking lot west of the Library.

Motion by Gloria Zupanci to grant the City of Edwardsville \$80,000 towards the renovation of the City parking lot, with an amendment by Gary Denu for the amount of \$82,500 seconded by Emily Gates.

Roll call:

Denu – yes

Gates – yes

Nabe – yes

Powell – yes

Whittaker – yes

Zupanci – no

Fornof – yes

Motion carried.

J. New Business:

None.

K. Old Business:

None.

L. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned by Vice President Fornof at 8:43 p.m.