

Minutes
Bartholomew County Public Library
Board of Trustees Meeting
4:00 Library Conference Room
March 13, 2006

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:40 p.m. by President Stroh.

Present: Marvin Finke, Gayle Loesch, Nedra Spinks and Beth Stroh. Library staff: Beth Poor, Director and Teresa Reynolds, Business Manager.

Absent: Pam Lienhoop, Betty Lu McGuire and Russell Taylor.

Approval of Minutes

Spinks moved and Finke seconded that the minutes of the February 20, 2006 meeting be approved. Motion carried unanimously.

Financial Report

Poor requested that a resolution for a temporary loan from LIRF to Operating funds be approved. Loesch moved and Spinks seconded that a Resolution to Establish a Temporary Loan from LIRF to the Operating Fund in the amount of \$500,000.00 be approved. The loan will be repaid upon receipt of a tax distribution or no later that December 31, 2006. Motion carried unanimously.

Finke moved and Spinks seconded that claims 2492 through 2562 totaling \$642,973.36 be approved for payment. Motion carried unanimously.

Poor participated in a meeting of the Public Libraries Committee of the Indiana State Library Advisory Council. This committee annually reviews whether public libraries are in full compliance with Indiana library standards. Audit exceptions now are taken into account in deeming compliance. Poor praised the BCPL Business Office staff for avoiding the types of mistakes and oversights that have occurred at several other libraries during the past two years.

Action Items

A. Frances Carr Scholarship Application. Poor reported that Tyler Munn, a Children's Services staff member, has been accepted at Indiana University to pursue a Master of Library and Information Science degree. He has applied for and received a scholarship in the amount of \$700.00 from the Bartholomew County Library Associates. He will continue to work full-time while attending classes one full day per week. Poor noted that Munn speaks fluent Spanish and conducts activities and programs for Hispanic families at the library and local elementary schools. Many of these families specifically ask for help from Tyler while visiting the library.

After some discussion, Loesch recommended we authorize a \$2,000.00 scholarship to Tyler Munn from the Carr Memorial fund with a requirement that he report to the board on his progress by the end of 2006. Additional scholarships for 2007 may be considered at that time. Spinks moved and Finke seconded authorization of the \$2,000.00 scholarship for Tyler Munn. Motion carried unanimously.

Reports

A. Teen Services Areas in Other Libraries. Stroh recommended we delay the presentation on teen service areas in other libraries until the next meeting when more members are present.

New Business

There was no new business to be discussed.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the board the meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gayle Loesch, Secretary Pro-tem

Beth Stroh, President