

Minutes
Bartholomew County Public Library
Board of Trustees Meeting
Library Conference Room
October 15, 2007

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 4:05 p.m. by President Beth Stroh.

Present: Gayle Loesch, Betty Lu McGuire, Nedra Spinks, Beth Stroh and Russell Taylor. Library staff: Beth Booth Poor, Director and Teresa Reynolds, Business Manager, Tom Bigley, Attorney.

Absent: Marvin Finke and Billie Whitted.

Approval of Minutes

Spinks moved and Taylor seconded that the minutes of the September 10, 2007 board meeting be approved. Motion carried unanimously.

Financial Report

Stroh advised that the board approve a resolution allowing an additional \$100,000 temporary loan from LIRF to the Operating Fund, because we still have not received a tax draw and it has not been determined when those funds will become available to us. The total amount borrowed by the Operating Fund from LIRF will increase to \$1,400,000 to be paid back by December 31, 2007. Spinks moved and Loesch seconded that the loan be approved. Motion carried unanimously.

Claims were reviewed, and Poor explained that the vendor Survey Monkey is a web based survey company that we use through our website to obtain input from the public. We are currently collecting e-mail addresses for our upcoming web newsletter. It was also noted that the speed bumps were installed and will be painted at a later date after the asphalt cures. Loesch moved and Spinks seconded that claims 4309 through 4432 in the amount of \$308,943.02 be approved for payment. Motion carried unanimously.

Action Items

A. Resolution for 2008 participation in State Consortium for Internet Access. Poor explained the agreement enables BCPL to receive a State Library grant to pay a portion of the T1 internet lines. The State Library also uses the services of AdTec in Sarasota, Florida to prepare all of the forms that are needed to apply annually for Universal Service Fund reductions in telecommunications costs. The agreement covers the period from 7/1/08 – 6/30/2009. Spinks moved and Taylor seconded the resolution be approved. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Approve FY 2008 Talking Books Columbus Subregional Contract. The FY 2008 Talking Books contract has not yet been received. Poor explained that the Talking Books service will be switching to a automated catalog/circulation called Keystone (KLAS) Automated System. This will allow better tracking and interactive use with participants. We serve 15 counties in southeastern Indiana. The new system will cost approximately \$100,000, and these fees will be paid by the Indiana State Library.

C. Nominating Committee for 2008 Library Board officers. Stroh asked for volunteers to be on the nominating committee. Spinks will chair the committee, and Loesch and Taylor also will serve. The slate of officers will be voted on at the December meeting, if not sooner.

Reports

Poor noted that we have purchased an online subscription to Morningstar Online.

The Main Library is the subject of an energy study that's being done by Lego League students from St. Bartholomew School. Their orientation and fact-finding meeting included a tour of the mechanical room in the penthouse, the roof, the elevator room, and various other non-public areas of the building.

The Main Library will be hosting the Every Child Ready to Read workshop for the Indiana State Library on December 3rd.

Poor reported that three staff members represented the library at the business expo at the Holiday Inn BCPL shared booth space with Jackson County Public Library.

New Business

None.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Betty Lu McGuire, Secretary

Beth Stroh, President