

FREEPORT PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
August 13, 2014 – 6 p.m.

A meeting of the Freeport Public Library Board of Trustees was held in the Library's Boardroom on August 13, 2014. Vice President Luke Beggin presided and called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

Members Present: Luke Beggin Jim Bielien
 Barb Green Teresa Hines
 Larry Pittsley

Members Absent: Scott Haugh, Jill Collin, Judy Barney

Also present was Library Director Carole Dickerson and Library Supervisors Pat Vorwald, Lois Rees and Anna Doyle.

Connie Hoffman acted as Recording Secretary.

DONATION OF SHEILA WELCH ILLUSTRATION

The Library Board accepted a Sheila Welch illustration, the “Land of Another Sun,” which was donated by Dr. Stephen and Jamie Petras. The library owns copies of Ms. Welch’s book of the same name.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Teresa Hines moved and Barb Green seconded to approve the minutes of the August 11, 2014 Board of Trustees meeting. The motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Luke Beggin moved and Larry Pittsley seconded to accept the accompanying Financial Reports. Motion carried.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT: MAKING FREEPORT PUBLIC LIBRARY A RAILS VIDEO CONFERENCING LOCATION

Luke Beggin made the motion and Barb Green seconded to accept and have Director Dickerson sign the agreement. Motion carried following discussion of who bears responsibility for equipment repair.

DIRECTOR’S REPORT

Code of Behavior:

The revised copy of the Code of Behavior was included in the board packet, but no action was taken pending Attorney Michael Phillips’ attendance of next month’s board meeting.

Director Dickerson passed out an article given to her by Vice President Luke Beggin on homeless in libraries, and went on to discuss some of the disturbances that have occurred recently at the Freeport Library.

Director Dickerson acknowledged the receipt of Regnald and Dorthy Clock bequest of \$350,000 to the library. Larry Pittsley will review existing donor plaques and suggest additional ways to acknowledge donor generosity.

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STAFF REPORTS

Adult Services and Technical Services Pat Vorwald told the board that June and July were busy with Summer Reading. A grand prize of a tablet and a smaller tablet for second prize was given to the winners of the drawing this year. She also mentioned that some of her time has been spent writing a grant for "One Book, One Freeport."

Circulation Supervisor Lois Rees reported that she has two new volunteers helping to shelve books in her department. During the month of July 63 hours were donated by volunteers, and 142 hours were donated by community service.

Youth Services Supervisor Anna Doyle told the board that Summer Reading ended up with 598 children and teens who signed up for the program. Events throughout the summer were well attended.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Larry Pittsley nominated Luke Beggin to become President of the Board, and Barb Green seconded. The motion carried.

Jim Bielen nominated Jill Collin to become Vice-President of the Board, and Teresa Hines seconded. The motion carried.

A roll call was taken, and the nominations will were accepted.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administrative Committee: Did not meet, but will be meeting before October 1, 2014.

Finance Committee: Did not meet

Building Committee: Did not meet

EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE DISCUSSION OF MINUTES OF MEETINGS LAWFULLY CLOSED UNDER THE ILLINOIS OPEN MEETINGS ACT, WHETHER FOR PURPOSES OF APPROVAL BY THE BODY OF THE MINUTES OR SEMI-ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE MINUTES AS MANDATED BY SECTION 2.06 OF THE ILLINOIS OPEN MEETINGS ACT, AS AUTHORIZED BY SECTION 2(c)(21) OF THE ILLINOIS OPEN MEETINGS ACT, CODIFIED AT 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21).

Larry Pittsley moved and Barb Green seconded a motion to go into executive session. The motion carried with a roll call vote.

The open meeting resumed at 7:08 p.m.

Larry Pittsley moved to adjourn at 7:08 p.m., and Teresa Hines seconded the motion.

Connie Hoffman, Recording Secretary