

FREEPORT PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
January 14, 2015 – 6 p.m.

A meeting of the Freeport Public Library Board of Trustees was held in the Library's Boardroom on January 14, 2015. President Luke Beggin presided and called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m.

Members Present: Luke Beggin Jim Bielien
 Barb Green Scott Haugh
 Larry Pittsley Jill Collin

Members Absent: Teresa Hines

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

Connie Hoffman acted as Recording Secretary.

Scott Haugh moved and Jill Collin seconded to amend the agenda to let Don Kraft address the board.

Don Kraft asked to present to the library a replica of the Civil War Monument. Scott Haugh made the motion and Jill Collin seconded to allow the library director to select the appropriate location to place the replica. The motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Scott Haugh moved and Jill Collin seconded to approve the minutes of the November 12, 2014 Board of Trustees meeting. The motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Scott Haugh moved and Larry Pittsley seconded to accept the accompanying Financial Reports. Motion carried.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Non-bargaining Salaries – Discussion and Action

Director Dickerson recommended to the board a 1.5% cost of living raise for the non-bargaining employees retroactive to May 2014. Scott Haugh moved and Larry Pittsley seconded to approve. The motion carried.

Administrative Closure – Discussion and Action

Director Dickerson asked the board to approve an administrative closure of the library on Saturday, July 4, 2015. Scott Haugh moved and Barb Green seconded to approve. The motion carried.

STAFF REPORTS

Youth Services Supervisor Anna Doyle told the board about International Games Day participation. During the holiday season 342 children visited Santa. The holiday book drive attracted 336 books to be given to children in need. She also told the board that she will be participating in the Money Smart Week program in April.

Circulation Supervisor Lois Rees reported to the board that December was a slow month so she spent some time cleaning and tidying up her department.

Adult Services and Technical Services Pat Vorwald told the board that the library received two grants, one for \$5,000 and one for \$4,835 each for the “One Book, One Freeport” program. The book giveaways dates will be the last two Saturday’s in February. All the books were donated by the Freeport Public Library Foundation.

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).

Jill Collin moved and Scott Haugh seconded a motion to go into executive session. The motion carried with a roll call vote.

The open meeting resumed at 7:00 p.m.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Administrative Committee: Did not meet.
Finance Committee: Did not meet.
Building Committee: Did not meet.

COMMUNICATIONS/BOARD COMMENTS

Board President Luke Beggin received a per capita grant notification that the library will be receiving \$32,000 instead of the \$27,000 that had been budgeted.

Board President Luke Beggin read a thank-you card from a staff member thanking the management team for the Gallery Café lunch certificate for Christmas. Board President Beggin also read a thank you note from Linda LoCascio thanking the library for the gift of flowers in memory of her husband John, who was a former Freeport Public Library Director.

Board Member Scott Haugh informed the board of his recent promotion, which will put him back in the Freeport area.

Scott Haugh moved to adjourn at 7:05 p.m., and Larry Pittsley seconded the motion.