

FREEPORT PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
July 10, 2013 – 6 p.m.

A meeting of the Freeport Public Library Board of Trustees was held in the Library's Boardroom on July 10, 2013. Board President Scott Haugh presided and called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

Members Present: Scott Haugh Teresa Hines
 Barb Green Jim Bielen
 Jill Collin

Members Absent: Judy Barney Luke Beggin

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

Connie Hoffman acted as Recording Secretary.

President Scott Haugh introduced Sandy Schubert, proprietor of the Gallery Café, who gave the board an update of her business. She informed them that typically it is slower during the summer months, but she has several catering jobs scheduled for the fall. She will celebrate her fourth anniversary on August 24.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Teresa Hines moved and Barb Green seconded to approve the minutes of the June 12, 2013 Board of Trustees meeting. The motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Jill Collin moved and Barb Green seconded to accept the accompanying Financial Reports. Motion carried.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Dickerson told the board that City of Freeport Treasurer Linda Buss requested to have the bank signatures updated. After discussion, President Haugh recommended that a board member also be on the signature cards. The decision was postponed until next month when Vice-President Luke Beggin would be present.

Director Dickerson also told the board that the State of Illinois would like to place a cash kiosk inside the library. This kiosk is used for people to see if the state owes them any money. Discussion by the board followed. No action was taken.

On July 3, the Red Cross held a blood drive here at the library that was hosted by the VFW, where our board President Scott Haugh was volunteering. They surpassed their goal of fifteen donors by having a total of sixteen. They hope to make this a regular event at the library. The next blood drive will be the first Wednesday of September.

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The management team attended the second annual Freeport Housing Authority Scholarship luncheon at Highland Community College on June 27. Dickerson told the board that she will be on vacation and out of state from July 29 through August 14.

STAFF REPORTS

Administrative Assistant Connie Hoffman reported the progress of the Youth Services Summer Reading program. The number of children signed up for Summer Reading is close to 500, and programming events are going well.

Adult Services Supervisor Pat Vorwald reported that the Adult Summer Reading program is also going well. She recently attended a Workforce Development Committee meeting.

Circulation Supervisor Lois Rees told the board she attended the opening and dedication ceremony for the new Lanark Public Library and that she recently volunteered at the Garden Walk.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Jill Collin nominated Scott Haugh to remain as President of the Board for one more year, and Barb Green seconded. The motion carried.

Scott Haugh nominated Luke Beggin to remain as Vice-President of the Board for one more year, and Jim Bielen seconded it. The motion carried.

Jill Collin asked that the nominations be closed, and Teresa Hines seconded it. A roll call was taken, and President Haugh and Vice-President Beggin will continue to serve their offices.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Director Dickerson reported that the library budget has been approved by the City Council.

COMMUNICATIONS / BOARD COMMENTS

Director Dickerson told the board author Geoff Rodkey will be a guest speaker for the Summer Reading program on July 27, 2013 at 1:00 p.m. The program will be for both adults and children. Mr. Rodkey is a graduate of Freeport High School. Thanks goes to Judy Barney and Edward Finch for making the arrangements.

Barb Green announced that the Habitat for Humanity store will have an open house and ribbon cutting ceremony on Friday, July 12 at 10:00 a.m.

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

The open meeting resumed at 7:10 p.m.

Barb Green moved to adjourn at 7:13 p.m., and Judy Barney seconded the motion.

Connie Hoffman, Recording Secretary