

FREEPORT PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
May 13, 2015 – 6 p.m.

A meeting of the Freeport Public Library Board of Trustees was held in the Library's Boardroom on May 13, 2015. President Luke Beggin presided and called the meeting to order at 6:07 p.m.

Members Present:	Barb Green	Jim Bielen
	Larry Pittsley	Scott Haugh
	Jill Collin	Jim Ferrar
	Teresa Hines	Luke Beggin

Also present was Library Supervisors Pat Vorwald and Anna Doyle.

Connie Hoffman acted as Recording Secretary.

Library Director Carole Dickerson introduced new board member Jim Ferrar. Jim was recruited by Board President Luke Beggin. Jim has been employed part-time for the last four years by Beggin, Tipp and Lamm, LLC and also comes with many years of experience as an accountant working for the IRS in Washington, DC.

President Luke Beggin moved and Teresa Hines seconded to amend the agenda to place the staff reports at the top of the agenda. Motion carried.

STAFF REPORTS

Adult Services and Technical Services Supervisor Pat Vorwald gave an update on the last event for the “One Book, One Freeport” program. The rocket launching event brought 100 people as spectators where 20 children had built their own rockets. Supervisor Vorwald is preparing for summer reading which begins June 6.

Youth Services Supervisor Anna Doyle told the board about Money Smart Week, April 18-25, which included an event for children at the kick-off held at the library. Attendees received a free book, “Lemonade for Sale.”

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Barb Green moved and Scott Haugh seconded to approve the minutes of the March 11, 2015 Board of Trustees meeting. The motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Jim Bielen moved and Larry Pittsley seconded to accept the accompanying Financial Reports. Motion carried. Administrative Assistant Connie Hoffman passed out copies of the financial snapshot.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Director Dickerson made reference to her written report where she covered Money Smart Week, Customer Service Training, and the Book Invaders program. She wanted to thank the celebrity readers who helped with the book invaders program throughout the year. Those readers included Mia Rudolph, Sheri Meinert, Jamie Spielman and Steven Welch, in addition to the individuals named in her written report.

Director Dickerson updated the board on filling Circulation Supervisor Lois Rees's position. The position was offered to an individual who turned it down, and a follow-up interview with a second candidate did not result in another. The position will be re-advertised in six months, and in the interim a Lead Clerk is assisting with the operations of the department.

Suspension of Services – Discussion and Action

Director Dickerson asked the board to consider her thirty-day suspension of services for four individuals whose behavior was repeatedly disruptive in the library. Following a discussion of Wi-Fi access and the efficacy of the library's surveillance cameras, Scott Haugh moved and Jim Ferrar seconded to permit Director Dickerson to ban individuals for a period of up to a year at her discretion.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

The board discussed the necessity to reassign the committees.

Administrative Committee: Did not meet.

Finance Committee: Did not meet.

Building Committee: Did not meet.

COMMUNICATIONS/BOARD COMMENTS

Director Dickerson announced that summer reading opening day will be on Saturday, June 6.

Scott Haugh moved to adjourn at 7:10 p.m., and Jim Bielen seconded the motion.

Connie Hoffman, Recording Secretary