

Southfield Library Board
Wednesday, April 15, 2015
7:30 pm
Regular Meeting Minutes

Present: Eunice Rose, Laura Mancini, Bernard Cohen, Deborah Evans, Dr. Carole McCollough

Staff: Dave Ewick, Mary Beall. Pat Kidd

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:31 pm by Board president, Euni Rose.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Dr. McCollough supported by Ms. Evans

RESOLVED: that the minutes from the regular Library Board meeting of March 11, 2015 and the Special Meeting of March 30, 2015 be approved as submitted.

AYES: Mancini, Cohen, Rose, Evans, McCollough

NAYS: None

MOTION APPROVED.

III. REQUEST TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

A. Councilman Ken Siver

IV. TREASURER'S REPORT

A. The Revenue Report and Library External Accounts Balance Report was distributed to the Board and discussed.

Mr. Ewick discussed the library's financial standing as of March 2015 in which 53% of the budget has been spent.

Motion by Ms. Mancini supported by Ms. Evans

RESOLVED: that the Treasurer's Report of March 2015 be approved as submitted.

AYES: Cohen, Rose, Mancini, McCollough, Evans
NAYS: None

MOTION APPROVED.

V. REPORTS

A. Jr. Library Board Report: NO report was given.

B. Deputy Librarian's Report: Mary Beall

- Building Update: The window washers are currently cleaning the windows of the library. May 2015 the roof will be inspected and repaired. The changeover of the HVAC system to air conditioning has taken place. HVAC contract will be presented to City Council on April 27, 2015 for a vote.
- Staffing Update: The Clerk 1 position has been filled by Diane Mulhinch and she started work on March 30, 2015. The library is currently conducting interviews for aides, assistants, interns and computer assistants.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

A. Efficiency expert: Board members approved a resolution to acquire the services of WJ Schroer to assist the library to restructure staffing. Mr. Ewick will contact Bill Schroer regarding a contract for services.

Motion by Ms. Mancini supported by Ms. Evans

RESOLVED: that WJ Schroer Company be contracted for efficiency services submitted for April 15, 2015.

AYES: Cohen, Rose, Mancini, McCollough, Evans
NAYS: None

MOTION APPROVED.

B. Northland Art Purchase: The following resolution will be presented to Fred Zorn, City Council and Terry Croad. Ken Siver addressed the Board regarding his support of the library acquiring "The Boy and the Bear" sculpture.

Motion by Ms. Mancini supported by Ms. Evans

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Southfield Public Library Board acting as advocates of the people of the State of Michigan strongly support the acquisition of the Frederick Marshall sculpture entitled “The Boy and the Bear” be located to the Southfield Public Library

AYES: Cohen, Rose, Mancini, McCollough, Evans
NAYS: None

MOTION APPROVED.

- C. Priorities of rebuilding library: The Board made note of the items they fill will aid in restructuring the library.
- D. Friends move into Café space: The anticipated installation of shelving into the café space will take place after Memorial Day with a Friends sale date to start in July.
- E. Self –check installation: The self – check installation scheduled for April 7, 2015 has been postponed and the library will be notified of a new installation date to be determined by Bibliotheca.
- F. Price quote for APIOH system: Steven Katz of APIOH will contact Mr. Ewick with a price quote for the system.

VII NEW BUSINESS

VII ALL OTHER BUSINESS

- A. Programming: Successful Battle of the Books program on March 24-25, 2015. The annual Spell Bowl is scheduled for April 22, 2015.
- B. Correspondence: Mr. Ewick shared with the Board an article from the Southfield Sun.
- C. Other – upcoming events
 - A. 4-17 MLA workshop at SPL: Changing Your Library Culture from 8-4
 - B. 4-27 HVAC maintenance contract to be presented to City Council for vote – 7 pm
 - C. 4-28 Art Commission Meeting in council study at 5:30 (Library Board to attend)
 - D. 4-29 MLK bust unveiling/ 6 pm (Presentation by Mr. Ewick and Ms. Rose)
 - E. 5-5 Celebrity Reader Tea at Mi. 1st Credit Union – 3 pm
 - F. 5-12 Volunteer Brunch Reception- staff lounge from 10-12 pm
 - G. 5-22 TLN quarterly meeting at SPL – 10 am

VIII PUBLIC COMMENTS

NONE.

IX ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mr. Cohen and supported by Ms. Evans.

RESOLVED: The Library Board meeting for March 11, 2015 is adjourned.

AYES: Cohen, Rose, Mancini, Evans, McCollough

NAYS: None

MOTION APPROVED.

There being no further business to discuss the Library Board Meeting for April 15, 2015 was adjourned at 9:38 p.m.

The next meeting of the Southfield Library Board will take place on Wednesday, May 13, 2015 at 7:30 pm in the Southfield Room located on the 3rd floor of the Library at 26300 Evergreen Road, Southfield, MI 48076