



Minutes of the Regular Meeting of
The Board of Trustees
Webster Groves Public Library
June 16, 2011

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Webster Groves Public Library was held at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, June 16, 2011. President Tom Reedy presided, and Library Director Tom Cooper kept the minutes. Present: Trustees Bill Kuc, Nancy Marshall, Christine Krueger, Peter Ruger, Liz Walsh, and City Council Liaison Debi Salberg. Absent: Trustees Bently Green, Stacy Deleste, Bob Herdler.

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m.

Public Agenda

There was no public agenda.

Minutes of the May 18, 2011 Meeting

Mr. Ruger moved to accept the minutes as presented, Ms. Krueger seconded, and the minutes were approved.

Correspondence

There was no correspondence.

President's Report

Mr. Reedy noted that the house at 5 Mason Avenue has been sold, the library netting \$270,000 from its sale.

Librarian's Report

Mr. Cooper talked about a presentation on Missouri's Sunshine Law which he had recently attended, noting that the Webster Groves Public Library Board has usually been in full compliance with its requirements. He made copies of the 2009 Sunshine Law book (the most recent revision) available to trustees.

He also talked about an initiative underway, headed by the Missouri State Library, to implement a statewide consortium of public libraries. The advantage of this to library users would be to greatly expand the materials available to them from their home library catalog, and make it easier to request items not owned by their local libraries. It would also make maintaining a library automation system significantly less expensive for all member libraries. At this point, libraries are signing letters of interest, so the task force can solicit cost estimates from automation vendors. Webster Groves Public Library has signed that letter.

Advanced Planning

There was no report from this committee.

Automation/Systems

There was no report from this committee.

Building and Grounds

Mr. Reedy spoke about the progress on the building project.

Ms. Marshall is still urging a meeting with Powers Bowersox Associates (PBA) to give trustees and members of the Building Committee a chance to review finishes and furnishings for the new building. Mr. Cooper will call PBA to set that up.

Finance

Mr. Reedy reviewed the financial report and disbursements for May , 2011. Ms. Krueger moved to approve the report as presented, Mr. Kuc seconded, and the report was approved.

Mr. Reedy also has asked KAI to revise their Budget Summary for the building project, so that it only shows the originally budgeted contingency amount (6% of estimated cost of construction) in the Owner's Contingency line, not the total project funds remaining.

Human Resource

There was no report from this committee.

Policy

Mr. Ruger moved to approve the draft Investment Policy and the draft Fund Balance Policy as presented. Ms. Walsh seconded, and the both policies were approved.

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

There was no new business.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

The next meeting of the Library's Board of Trustees will be held on Wednesday, July 20 at 7 p.m.