

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of The Board of Trustees Webster Groves Public Library April 18, 2012

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Webster Groves Public Library was held at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, April 19, 2012. President Tom Reedy presided, and Library Director Tom Cooper kept the minutes. Also present: Trustees Bill Kuc, Nancy Marshall, Bob Herdler, Bently Green and Stacy Deleste, and City Council Liaison Debi Salberg. Absent: Trustees Christine Krueger and Peter Ruger.

Call to Order

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

Public Agenda

There was no public agenda.

Minutes of the March 21, 2012 Meeting

Mr. Kuc moved to accept the minutes as presented, Ms. Deleste seconded, and the minutes were approved.

Correspondence

Each trustee received two pieces of mail: a letter from Tom Fischer of K/B Fischer Plumbing detailing his request for payment for work done on the Library's renovation project, and an invitation from Cunningham, Vogel & Rost to their upcoming open house.

President's Report

Mr. Reedy noted the progress on the construction progress was strong in the weeks since being taken over by Demien Construction. There have been few snags.

There is an ongoing negotiation with K/B Fischer Plumbing over how much they should be paid for work done on the site.

Mr. Reedy mentioned that three trustees whose terms expire in May, Ms. Krueger, Mr. Kuc and Mr. Herdler, have all offered to renew their terms of office.

However, Ms. Walsh has notified the Board that she is resigning for personal reasons, leaving one vacancy on the Board of Trustees.

Mr. Reedy also congratulated Debi Salberg on her recent election to a new term on the Webster Groves City Council.

Librarian's Report

Mr. Cooper spoke about the reciprocal payments to St. Louis County Library. There was a large, unanticipated increase in the amount owed by most of the Municipal Library Consortium partners to St. Louis County Library. They have jointly sent a letter to County Library to ask for explanation or verification of these figures.

Advanced Planning

There was no report from this committee.

Automation/Systems

There was no report from this committee.

Building and Grounds

Mr. Green offered additional details about construction progress. He also proposed that we have a meeting soon with Fischer, KAI, PBA, the Library and Craig Smith of Polsinelli, Shughart, to work out a payment plan for K/B Fischer Plumbing.

<u>Finance</u>

Mr. Herdler reviewed the financial report and disbursements for March, 2012. He noted that we are on course to end the fiscal year with nearly \$600,000 in reserve. Mr. Green moved to approve the financial report, Mr. Kuc seconded, and the report was approved.

Human Resource

Pursuant to Missouri Revised Statute 610.021 (3), Mr. Kuc moved to go into closed session to discuss a personnel matter; Mr. Herdler seconded. The vote of the trustees was as follows:

Reedy: Aye
Kuc: Aye
Marshall: Aye
Herdler: Aye
Green: Aye
Deleste: Aye

Mr. Kuc moved to return to open session, Ms. Deleste seconded, and the Board returned to open session.

Policy

There was no report from this committee.

Old Business

There was no old business.

New Business

Mr. Cooper passed out a draft policy for use of the Library's new meeting room. Most libraries that have a meeting room have some kind of policy in place to govern its use, and hopes the Board will approve one prior to opening the new Library in the autumn.

Adjournment

Mr. Herdler moved to adjourn, Mr. Green seconded, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

The next meeting of the Library's Board of Trustees will be held on Wednesday, May 16 at 7 p.m.