

PARK FOREST PUBLIC LIBRARY
BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING
January 20, 2011

The regular meeting of the Park Forest Public Library Board of Trustees opened at 7:44 p.m. Those present were:

Park Forest Public Library Board Members: Fritz Wildermuth, Joan Larsen, Linda Marron, Peg Donohue, Penny Shnay, and Sevena Merchant.
Absent was Gail Graham.

Park Forest Public Library Staff: Barbara Byrne Osuch, Renee Wick-Brink, and George Manno.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the regular meeting of December 16, 2010 were approved as submitted.

COMMUNICATIONS

Trustee Larsen reported that Dr. Alice Racher was raving about the room named in her honor, and the ceremony dedicating it to her.

The consensus of the Board is that the open house went well.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Library Director Osuch reminded everyone of the Budget Meeting on February 3, 2011

Library Director Osuch discussed the financial report and the audit that was forwarded by the Village of Park Forest.

Trustee Marron questioned why the Renovation Budget was designated at an amount smaller than needed. Library Director Osuch noted that the budget amendment addresses this.

REPORT OF THE BOARD PRESIDENT

President Shnay thanked the Library staff for their efforts in organizing the open house.

Trustee Larsen thought the photos of the Alice Racher room were “stunning”.

President Shnay suggested that invitations be sent to former Library Directors and staff.

REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

Library Director Osuch reminded everyone of the general Library open house on February 5th and 6th. She noted the program of events. The Board was requested to be at the open house at different times to announce raffle winners.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEES

The Historical Society Committee met. Sevena Merchant and Linda Marron are the Library Board's representatives. The first meeting was largely information gathering.

It was the committees opinion that one of the storage PODS could be emptied immediately.

Therese Goodrich is investigating the possibility of storing some items at St Irenaeus Church.

MEETING ROOMS POLICY V, 2ND READING

Trustee Donohue moved that the board approve the Family Technology Rooms Policy as corrected.

Trustee Merchant seconded.

Motion carried.

BUDGET AMENDMENT

This item was tabled until after the Budget Meeting on February 3, 2011.

MATERIAL DISPLAYED IN THE LIBRARY POLICY 1ST READING

Requested action: Presented for review and discussion by the Board.

OLYMPIA FIELDS CONTRACT

Trustee Wildermuth moved that the contract with the Olympia Fields Public Library Board of Trustees be adopted as submitted.

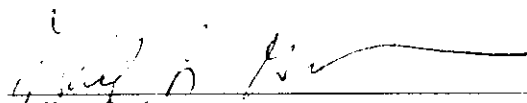
Trustee Merchant seconded.

Motion carried unanimously, with one absence.

RINGERING ROOM

The Board discussed options for art in the Ringering Room. Trustee Larsen will see what other Libraries have done, and report at the next meeting.

The regular meeting was adjourned at 8:47p.m.



Gail L. Graham
Library Board of Trustees