

TIPPECANOE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

627 South Street, Lafayette, Indiana

February 2nd, 2010

MINUTES

Notice of the date, time, place and agenda for this meeting was posted in prominent public view at the Library and mailed to requesting media on Thursday, January 28th, 2010 in conformity with the Indiana Open Meeting Act.

PRESENT:

Sarah J. Hicks, President
Van Phillips, Vice President
Mida Grover, Secretary
Dinah McClure, Treasurer
Lora Goonewardene, Member
Jerry Withered, Member

ABSENT:

Brandon Hawkins, Member

ATTENDING

Jos N. Holman, County Librarian
Amy Paget, Assistant County Librarian
Susan Robey, Friends President
Winnie Adler, League of Women Voters

President Sarah Hicks chaired the regular Board meeting and called it to order at 7:32 p.m. A quorum was declared to conduct business for the library. Prior to the regular session, an Executive Session was held to discuss the acquisition of land for future expansion of library facilities. The meeting was for information purposes only and no action was taken on this topic.

Board member Jerry Withered led the Board in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Treasurer Dinah McClure moved the **Board Minutes** of January 5th, 2010 be approved as presented. Board Secretary Mida Grover provided a second and the motion passed.

Under the heading of the **County Librarian's Report**, Mr. Holman pointed out that Lafayette's Ivy Tech Community College will host a special exhibit of rare books and manuscripts dealing with liberty and dignity from the Remnant Trust Exhibit this February through May 20 at the campus library. A formal reception will be held on Monday, February 22 and Mr. Holman encouraged Board members to attend. He updated the Board on the status of the legislative bill SB212 and provided a handout of a summary of the bill. The bill passed the second reading in the Senate. Also, he wanted

the Board to be aware that the Indiana State Library will implement new library standards starting in January 2011. These new standards replace outdated standards that minimized the requirements for hours, services, programs and equipment for public libraries. Not surprisingly, increased technology standards are included in the new plan. TCPL staff will review the plan. Mr. Holman wanted to make sure the Board was aware of the City of Lafayette's decision to initiate a new storm water user fee. As a property owner TCPL will be assessed this new fee because the library's tax-exempt status does not protect the library from this new fee. The fee is based on the measured impervious surface area for all library's property. Finally, Mr. Holman provided sample giveaways of the Family Read Aloud program that started on February 1st.

Ms. McClure moved to approve the February 2nd, 2010 **Personnel Actions**. Board member Lora Goonewardene seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

There were no **Committee Reports**.

Under **Other Reports**, Friends President Susan Robey reported that a special two-day book sale is scheduled for March 13th and 14th. The featured items of this special sale are a number of old books donated from the Meier estate and thousands of old records donated to the Friends. To help spread the word about the book sale to collectors and dealers, a number of classified ads are being placed in newspapers around the state. Also, Ms. Robey announced March 18th as the date of the Friends annual meeting. New officers will be elected and educational scholarships presented to TCPL staff members.

There was no **Old Business**.

There was no **New Business** to consider.

Under **Other Business**, Ms. McClure moved to approve the grand total of the claims listing presented by the County Librarian starting with claim number 15886 through 16021. The pre-written claims were \$268,101.17 and the regular claims were \$229,447.50 for a grand total of \$497,548.67. Mrs. Grover seconded the motion and it passed.

Under **Comments from the Public**, guest Winnie Adler asked about TCPL's use of probationary status for new employees. The County Librarian indicated TCPL does not use that word for new employees or for their status as new employees. Under **Comments from the Board**, President Hicks mentioned the recent "after holiday dinner" held at Duncan Hall. She made positive comments about the activity and thanked the Friends for their financial support of the event.

Ms. McClure moved to adjourn the regular board meeting at 8:02 p.m. Mr. Phillips seconded the motion and it carried.

Mida Grover, Secretary

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