TIPPECANOE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
627 South Street, Lafayette, Indiana
September 1, 2009

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, August 27th, 2009 in conformity with the Indiana Open Meeting Act.

PRESENT:
Dinah McClure, President
Brandon Hawkins, Vice-President
Sarah J. Hicks, Treasurer
Mida Grover, Secretary
Van Phillips, Member
Jerry Withered, Member

ABSENT:
Lora Goonewardene, Member

ATTENDING
Jos N. Holman, County Librarian
Amy Paget, Assistant County Librarian
Susan Robey, Friends President
Stephanie Schmizt, League of Women Voters

President Dinah McClure chaired the regular Board meeting and called it to order at 7:32 p.m.

Board member Mida Grover led the Board in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Treasurer Sarah Hicks moved the Board Minutes of August 11th, 2009 be accepted as presented. Board Vice President Brandon Hawkins provided a second and the motion passed. Board member Van Phillips made a motion that the Board Minutes of the August 18th, 2009 special meeting be approved as presented. Mrs. Hicks provided a second to the motion and it passed.

Mr. Holman highlighted a number of items from the County Librarian’s Report. He reminded the Board about the 20th Anniversary celebration of the downtown library scheduled for Sunday, September 27th from 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. An open house with refreshments will take place and a short presentation starts about 2:15 p.m. Former Board member Rex Bowman will briefly speak and other individuals will be introduced. Photo exhibits representing the 1980’s will be on display. 1700 postcards are being mailed to former Board members and other associated with TCPL. Also, Mr. Holman relayed that one of two 5-ton compressors on chiller Unit
#3 at the campus library failed in early August. Ivy Tech staff contacted TCPL and proceeded to get estimates for the replacement of the unit. The entire chiller unit will be replaced with the cost just under $6,000.00. TCPL requested Ivy Tech go ahead and pay for the repair and invoice the library for it’s half of the cost. Also, related to Ivy Tech, Mr. Holman pointed out the college created “The Intersection Connection” which broadly refers to everyone offering services at the present time or in the future on the Ivy Tech Lafayette campus. TCPL fits into this category and Ivy Tech intends to promote their collaborative efforts better with the creation of a web site and an e-newsletter. A copy of recent correspondence from Ivy Tech was shared with the Board. Finally, Mr. Holman pointed out that the Indiana Library Federation would host its annual Library Legislative Day on Tuesday, September 22nd in Carmel. The legislative agenda with ILF lobbyists will be determined along with a discussion of the “critical challenges confronting Indiana’s public libraries”. A copy of the registration form was included in the Board packet and board members were encouraged to attend. Mr. Phillips indicated that he would plan to attend.

Board Vice President Brandon Hawkins moved to approve the September 1st, 2009 Personnel Actions. Mrs. Grover seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

No Committee Reports were presented.

Under Other Reports, Friends President Susan Robey mentioned that the upcoming book sale is scheduled for September 12 – 14 with the theme of “Feast of Books”. There were no other reports.

There was no Old Business to consider.

There was no New Business for the Board to act on.

Under Other Business, Mrs. Hicks moved to approve the grand total of the claims listing presented by the County Librarian starting with claim number 15252 through 15363. The pre-written claims were $254,709.54 and the regular claims were $118,090.83 for a grand total of $372,800.37. Mr. Phillips seconded the motion and it passed.

There were no Comments from the Public. Under Comments from the Board, Mr. Phillips inquired about the report of the Summer Reading Club. Specifically, he was interested in the decrease in the number of teens who reached their reading goal in 2009 compared to 2008. The County Librarian indicated there was no specific factor he could share to explain the change.

Mrs. Hicks moved to adjourn the regular board meeting at 7:38 p.m. Mr. Hawkins seconded the motion and it carried.
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