

TIPPECANOE COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY

REGULAR BOARD MEETING
627 South Street, Lafayette, Indiana
April 1st, 2008

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, March 27, 2008 in conformity with the Indiana Open Meeting Act.

PRESENT:

Dinah McClure, President
Brandon Hawkins, Vice-President
Patricia Garrott, Secretary
Sarah J. Hicks, Treasurer
Mida Grover, Member

ABSENT:

Van Phillips, Member
Jerry Withered, Member

ATTENDING:

Susan Robey, Friends President
Jos N. Holman, County Librarian
Amy Paget, Assistant County Librarian

President Dinah McClure chaired the regular Board meeting and called it to order at 7:31 p.m. A quorum was declared to conduct business for the library. Ms. McClure welcomed newly appointed Board member Mida Grover to the meeting.

Board Vice-President Brandon Hawkins led the Board in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

Board Treasurer Sarah Hicks moved the **Board Minutes** of March 4th, 2008 be accepted as presented. Mr. Hawkins provided a second and the motion passed.

Mr. Holman highlighted a number of items from the **County Librarian's Report**. He mentioned the wrap-up session of Third House was scheduled for April 8th at an Eggs-n-Issues breakfast. State legislators will be present to share their perspectives on the new legislation. He stated that any interested Board members should contact him with attendance plans by Thursday. Mr. Holman reported TCPL purchased a number of new display

units for the campus and main library. He encouraged Board members to look at the new displays. Mr. Holman informed the Board that for a second year in a row, the Mobile Library will appear at the Tippecanoe County Latino Festival on April 19th at Ivy Tech. Mobile Library and campus library staff members are working together to attract attendees to both facilities. TCPL informally received word that we will not receive a Community Development Block Grant. TCPL will need to determine another funding mechanism for a feasibility study of the Stein Building. Finally, Mr. Holman reported he accepted an invitation to present a session at the Indiana Academic Library Association being held on April 16th in Terre Haute. The presentation focuses on the development and current status of the partnership of Joint Library.

Board member Pat Garrott moved to approve the April 1st, 2008 **Personnel Actions**. Mrs. Hicks seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. The County Librarian pointed out the names of several staff members who were long-term employees of TCPL.

There were no **Committee Reports**.

Under **Other Reports**, Friends President Susan Robey shared information about the March 18th annual meeting of the Friends. The election of new officers and at-large Board members took place. New officers are Susan Robey, President, Larry French, Vice-President, Christine Shertz, Secretary, and Jane Rutledge as Treasurer. Elected at-large Board members are Cele Freeman, Kirk Freeman and Katheryn Stanford. Also, at the annual meeting, the Friends awarded five scholarships to various TCPL staff members. Ms. Robey reported the next book sale is Scheduled for May 30 to June 2. The theme is "Get It While Its Hot!"

Under **Old Business**, the Board briefly discussed the tabled motion related to the bank presentations. After a brief discussion, the tabled motion was left on the table. Board President McClure requested a concise recommendation come from the Finance Committee at the May Board meeting.

Under **New Business**, the County Librarian reported that the Public Employees Retirement Fund formally communicated a planned increase in the employer contribution for 2009. The communication is meant to assist TCPL in planning the 2009 Operating budget. The current employer contribution rate of 6.5% will increase to 6.75%. Board Secretary Pat Garrott moved to approve the 2009 PERF employer contribution rate at 6.75 percent. Board member Mida Grover provided a second and the motion passed.

Under **Other Business**, Mrs. Hicks moved to approve the grand total of the claims listing presented by the County Librarian starting with claim number 12953 through 13081. The pre-written claims were \$250,205.68 and the regular claims were \$237,499.71 for a grand total of \$487,705.39. Mrs. Garrott seconded the motion and it passed.

Also, under **Other Business**, President McClure mentioned there has not been consensus on a date for the Board retreat. President McClure updated Mrs. Grover on the background for the Board retreat and indicated Mrs. Grover's acclimation to the Board over the next couple of meetings would aid her participation at the retreat. President McClure will continue to look for a retreat date and consider the month of June for potential dates.

There were not **Comments from the Board**.

Mrs. Garrott moved to adjourn the regular board meeting at 7:54 p.m. Mr. Hawkins seconded the motion and it carried.

Patricia Garrott, Secretary

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