

Tri- Township Public Library District  
Board of Trustees Meeting  
Regular Minutes  
September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2008

President Ashcraft opened the meeting at 7:01 P.M.

Roll Call: Buckingham, Elson, Huck, Lindsay, Little and Ashcraft Absent: Pitchford.  
Present from the public were Vicky Hart and Norma Sidener.

Input of Agenda Items: Board- Item C approval of Closed Session minutes for July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2008.  
W B House Bill 4527.  
Public- none

Approval of Minutes: A motion was made by Buckingham and seconded by Huck to approve the minutes of the August 5<sup>th</sup> meeting as corrected.

Ayes: Buckingham, Elson, Huck, Lindsay, Little and Ashcraft. Absent: Pitchford.

A motion was made by Little and seconded by Buckingham to accept the closed session minutes of July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2008 as presented.

Ayes: Buckingham, Elson, Huck, Lindsay, Little and Ashcraft. Absent: Pitchford.

Treasurer's Report: The last of the taxes are due next week. Treasurer has transferred one hundred thousand dollars to Springfield account from the Bank of Edwardsville. There is now one hundred six thousand-four hundred ninety-dollars in the Springfield account.

The reporter from the Times- Tribune, Amanda Walker, arrived.

Director's Report: Library staff discovered theft of almost thirteen hundred dollars worth of DVD's. Director has filed a Police report and the Library is taking steps for security. The DVD's are now behind the circulation desk. The Director said it is a shame that the actions of a few have to spoil it for everyone. Director will talk to the Insurance Company about filing a claim. There was a discussion of a reward being offered for information regarding the theft of the DVD's.

The annual report was submitted before the September 1<sup>st</sup> deadline.

Director had her mandatory IMRF training last week and will have the advanced training in October.

Laura Bray, Children's Librarian, has resigned effective August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2008. The Director will conduct a new search and will put an ad in the local paper, Chamber of Commerce website, and the Library system's newsletter

Statistics for July and August are attached and also a copy of the police report.

The discussion for a reward was continued and taking out an ad in the paper stating amnesty if returned by September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2008. The Director will check with Mr. Eastman about wording of reward up to five hundred dollars.

A motion was made by Elson and seconded by Huck to authorize the Director to place an ad in the paper for amnesty regarding the DVD's until September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2008 and post it on the Library door after that time initiate with the Library attorney to offer a reward.

Ayes: Buckingham, Elson, Huck, Lindsay, Little and Ashcraft. Absent: Pitchford.

Maintenance: The parking lot has been completed

Leo brought up placement of bicycle rack. The old one really needs to be replaced. Director will check into replacing with a new one and Friends of the Library will help pay for it.

Communications: Regular IMRF mail. A notice was received by the auditor that she will be coming to pick up the materials for the audit tomorrow.

Old Business: FY2009 Per Capita grant requirements: We are in compliance with the Freedom of Information Act and the Open Meetings Act.

Ethics Statement: Board members reviewed Ethics Statement. Everyone had reviewed it with the exception of Pitchford who was absent.

Statement of Economic Interest All Board members have filed.

New Business Library cards. The Library needs new cards The Director has a twenty percent discount from ALA and also won a five hundred dollar gift certificate to Gaylord. The new cards Director would like to go with will be cranberry with Library logo. They will be laminated and come with built in bar code and a key chain card. When old cards expire patrons will get a new one and if someone wants a new one before their card expires they can pay one dollar. Director would like to order five thousand. She was given a quote of two thousand five hundred but she wasn't sure if that included her discount, and she has not received conformation yet. She would like Board to approve authorization to order the cards.

A motion was made by Lindsay and seconded by Elson to authorize Director to purchase five thousand library cards with price not to exceed two thousand five hundred dollars.

Ayes: Buckingham, Elson, Huck, Lindsay, Little and Ashcraft. Absent: Pitchford.

Director asked the board to call or e-mail their senator and representative to override The Governor's veto of House Bill 4527- Equalization grant language. The bill would increase per capita for public and school libraries. The Governor vetoed it and added a clause that all libraries in Illinois be opened until nine p.m. We need to contact Senator Frank Watson and Representative Ron Stephens and ask them to override the veto.

Closed Session: None.

There were no announcements, so the meeting adjourned at 8:19 p.m.