

Tri-Township Public Library  
Regular Board of Trustees Meeting  
Minutes  
December 7, 2010.

The meeting was opened at 7:24 p.m. by Vice President Leo Lindsay.

Roll Call: Elson, Huck, Lindsay. Absent: Ashcraft, Little, Perrine and Scheller.  
Present from the public were Vicky Hart, David Cassens, Steve Rensberry (Times-Tribune reporter) and Norma Sidener.

Input of Agenda Items: Board- none  
Public- none.

Treasurer's Report: Director does not have actual report yet, but we are in very good shape. We need to pay the income budget balance of four hundred ninety seven dollars and so far we have four hundred and eighteen dollars. There is one more tax bill payment due today so we will have no problem paying the balance due.

Director's Report: Food for fines is over and we had a great response from the Community.

The new vertical blinds for the Community room have arrived and are on the windows. Board members are asked to check them out. They really do block the light, which is great for the Children's Librarian when she wants to show a film to our young readers.

Our Director has been here for five years and was given a round of applause.

Other issues are the agenda and Statistics are attached.

Director mentioned a new club for teens called the Animanga club. It is headed and supervised by David Cassens. There has been a good response and there are now thirteen teens in the club.

Katy Little (who was ill at home) arrived at 7:30 p.m. to help make a quorum so we could vote on some important issues.

Mark Carpenter and his Associate from Ittner arrived at 7:30 p.m. also. Director asked them to allow us to finish some business that need to be voted on before they give us their presentation.

Minutes of the November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2010 meeting were tabled until the December meeting.

Maintenance: Paul from C & P Improvements is going to have to do some more repair work on the concrete and pull out and repair the handicap ramp before he can install the new book drop. He will wait until there is warmer weather before he can complete this job and the bill will be one thousand nine hundred and ninety dollars.

A motion was made by Elson and seconded by Huck to approve the repair work C&P Improvements will have to do and authorize payment of one thousand nine hundred and ninety dollars.

Ayes: Elson, Huck, Little and Lindsay. Absent: Ashcraft, Perrine and Scheller.

Taake Snow removal: Taake snow removal has contracted to do our snow removal for the same price as last year.

A motion was made by Elson and seconded by Huck to accept the contract from Taake Snow removal at the same price as last year

Ayes: Elson, Huck, Little and Lindsay. Absent Ashcraft, Perrine and Scheller.

Director received a request from the local director of National Association of Mental Illness to have their monthly meetings at the library, but they have no money to pay for the use of the community room. Director suggested we could offer them the use of the board room if the board members agreed to do so and she would need a motion from the board to approve it, so we wouldn't be setting a precedent by letting a group use the community room free.

A motion was made by Elson and seconded by Huck to offer NAMI the board room for their monthly meetings at no charge to them.

Ayes: Elson, Huck, Little and Lindsay. Absent: Ashcraft, Perrine and Scheller.

Ittner preliminary design presentation: Mark Carpenter and his associate told the board members that the photo voltaic panels would not be cost effective for the Library. They have checked the library's utility bills for the past two years and the different kinds of panels. It would cost from four hundred eighty to five hundred thousand dollars and we would not see much decline in utility bills.

The movable partitions for the community room would be painted steel panels. They presented a design plan for the panels. The cost to do the panels for the book sale side(east side)would be thirty seven thousand four hundred dollars.

A motion was made by Elson and seconded by Huck to accept the proposal for the Photo voltaic panels presented by Ittner.

Nays: Elson, Huck, Little and Lindsay. Absent: Ashcraft, Perrine and Scheller.

A motion was made by Elson and seconded by Huck to approve the budget estimate by Ittner for the movable panels for the east side of the community room at a cost of thirty seven thousand four hundred dollars.

Ayes: Elson, Huck, Little and Lindsay. Absent: Ashcraft, Perrine and Scheller.

Little left the meeting at 8: 07 p.m.

The minutes of the November meeting are officially tabled until the December meeting.

Communications: A thank you from Southwestern Speech Association and a thank you from the food pantry.

We received three more notices from the Madison County Board of Review, which have been given to Mr. Eastman who is taking care of these for us.

**We have received the letters from the auditor and the completed audit.**

**We have still not received any money from our 2010 Per Capita Grant.**

**Greenflag Profit Recovery Agency: The account submitted to date has given us a two hundred and five percent return on our investment. We will table action on renewing our contract until next meeting as we no longer have a quorum.**

**Proposed change to Thanksgiving weekend tabled until next meeting.**

**Meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.**