MAPLEWOOD PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
7550 Lohmeyer Ave.
St. Louis, MO

Feb. 18, 2015

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 p.m. Present were

T. Durham  
C. Hinderliter  
J. Kelly  
J. Kremer  
K. Nithya  
J. Schorr  
S. Shoemaker

Staff present:  
T. Donnelly

A quorum was present and due notice had been given.

AGENDA ITEM 2  
Approval of Minutes

M/S/C (Kelly, Shoemaker) unanimously to approve the minutes of the 1/21/15 meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 3  
Public Comments

There were no public comments.

AGENDA ITEM 4  
Communications

There were no communications.

AGENDA ITEM 5  
Treasurer’s Report

Donnelly presented the report for January. He noted that he has not tracked down the source of the $25,000 credit to revenue, but is confident that it is not actually revenue and should be ignored.

M/S/C (?,?) unanimously to accept the Treasurer’s Report.

AGENDA ITEM 6
Librarian’s Report

Donnelly noted that the Library has become a SafePlace after training at the last In-Service. The SafePlace program is administered by a department of County government and provides resources for children and young people who are homeless or unable or unwilling to go home. The Library’s only responsibility is to make the SafePlace literature available and to ask young people who appear to be in need if they are there because of the SafePlace sign and do they want the Library to call someone for them.

The seed library will begin with a program on Saturday, 2/28/15, given by the MRH students in the Garden To Table program. Other new programs are the Library Elf patron account management service, to which the MLC has purchased a membership, so it is free to our patrons. Among other things, this service allows a patron to group all the library cards in their family into one report, to make it easier to track their children’s due dates. He also reported that the Envisionware Mobile Print service was scheduled for installation later this month. Finally, he noted that the Library is getting a telescope at reduced cost from the St. Louis Astronomical Society, which they will circulate to patrons; this will probably begin in April.

Donnelly noted that they have purchased paperback spinner from the Construction Fund to replace the damaged ones. He also reported that they will be getting back all their escrow from MSD, which will total $1,800. There is still a final bill to Horner & Schifrin, and he asked Ken Cohen if he would be willing to work on the outdoor sign again, since there is money left in the Construction Fund.

AGENDA ITEM 7
Committee Reports

There were no committee reports.

Although the fund-raising committee is not formally active at this time, the Board discussed holding another fund-raiser at McAlister’s Deli for National Library Week. Shoemaker said she would look into it.

AGENDA ITEM 8
Unfinished Business

Strategic Plan, 2015

It was suggested to add another activity to the Fund-raising Objective of Goal 3: “Pursue grant opportunities”.

M/S/C (Kelly, Hinderliter) unanimously to accept the draft Strategic Plan for 2015, with this addition.

AGENDA ITEM 9
New Business

Director Evaluation

Durham appointed herself, Harsh and Hinderliter to the Evaluation Committee, which will deliver its report in May.

AGENDA ITEM 10

Motion to hold a Closed Session

A Closed Session was not required.

AGENDA ITEM 11
Next Meeting Date

The next meeting of the Board will be on 3/18/15, at 7:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room.

AGENDA ITEM 12
Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

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Tamara Durham

Secretary

President