

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

June 17, 2015

The meeting was called to order 7:02 p.m. Present were

T. Alexander
T. Durham
J. Harsh
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

A typo was found in the minutes from 5/20/15.

M/S/C (Kelly, Kremer) unanimously to approve the minutes of the 5/20/15 meeting, as corrected.

AGENDA ITEM 3
Public Comments

There were no public comments.

AGENDA ITEM 4
Communications

Donnelly noted that Tim Alexander has been appointed to the Board to replace Ken Cohen, term to run through June, 2018.

AGENDA ITEM 5
Treasurer's Report

Donnelly noted that the Library has received the usual large May revenue amount, due to resolution of most protested tax cases, for a total of approximately \$32,000, although this will not show on the monthly report until June. He also noted that the Library currently has a surplus of \$52,790 for the year. This is partly explained by the refund of \$10,000 from Morenet for payments made before the Governor released support funds to Morenet.

There was a question about the amount of fines received for the year to date, since it is much more than budgeted. Donnelly said he would go back over the reports to see if anything looks wrong.

M/S/C (Harsh, Schorr) unanimously to accept the Treasurer's Report.

AGENDA ITEM 6 Librarian's Report

Donnelly reported that the MLC has selected a new computer system for the Consortium, Polaris by Innovative Interfaces. Training on the new system will begin this fall, and the transition is expected to happen in December. He noted that he is intending to use the main catalog page of Polaris as the homepage for the Library.

Donnelly also noted that OverDrive, the company that provides most of the audio- and e-book content for the Consortium, is bringing a travelling display to the area on July 7. They had asked to put it here, but it was too big for our space, considering that the pool is open and the streets are under construction, so it will be in Rock Hill, at the shopping mall at the corner of Manchester and McKnight.

AGENDA ITEM 7 Committee Reports

Donnelly reported that he had just come from the Design and Review Board meeting and that the latest sign design was not approved, for reasons that are unclear. Shannon at the Designery seems to have an idea what the Board is looking for and will work up another design.

Donnelly reported that he received a check for \$138 from McAlisters for the fundraiser, which is greater than the \$123 received last year.

AGENDA ITEM 8 Unfinished Business

Budgets, FY 2015-2106

Donnelly went through the notes accompanying the proposed budgets. He noted that he may have found a source for the media shelving, and that the cost of the library sign is

now unknown, so the expense figures for the Construction Budget are uncertain, but he has no better figures at the moment.

Donnelly left the room while the Board discussed the Director's evaluation.

The Board accepted the proposed budgets and the proposed raises for the staff for next year, and awarded Donnelly a raise of 2.5% in total for FY 15-16.

M/S/C (Schorr, Shoemaker) unanimously to adopt the General Fund, Construction Fund and Debt Service Fund budgets for FY 2015-2016, with a 2.5% raise for Donnelly.

Board Calendar

Donnelly suggested moving the date for selecting the Library auditor to March, since the current auditor actually began work on the audit in April, and to go out for bid, when needed, in January (the auditor usually signs the Library to a 3-year contract, so selection of the auditor will not actually happen every year). Kremer suggested adding the setting of fund-raising goals to the tasks for January.

M/S/C (Schorr, Shoemaker) unanimously to adopt the revised Board Calendar.

AGENDA ITEM 9

New Business

AGENDA ITEM 10

Motion to hold a Closed Session, if needed

A Closed Session was not needed.

AGENDA ITEM 11

Next Meeting Date

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

AGENDA ITEM 12

Adjournment

Joanne Kelly was honored for her term of service to the Board (her term ends on June 30).

The meeting adjourned at 7:58 pm.

Terrence Donnelly
Recording Secretary

Tamara Durham
President