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Meeting Minutes - Approved MADISON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

Thursday, July 5, 2012

4:30 PM

Central Branch Library
126 S. Hamilton
3rd Floor Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL

David Wallner called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m.

Sheri Carter arrived at 5:00 p.m.

Also Present: Ann Falconer, Susan Lee, Carol Froistad, Bryan Cooper, Deb Lehnherr, Mark Benno, Margie Navarre-Saaf, Tana Elias

Present: 5 -

Larry Palm; Barbara J. Karlen; Sheri Carter; David L. Wallner and Gregory Markle

Excused: 3 -

Beth Moss; Tracy K. Kuczenski and Theodore C. Widder, III

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Markle, seconded by Karlen, to Approve the Minutes.
The motion passed by voice vote/other.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was none.

DISCLOSURES AND RECUSALS

There was none.

BOARD INFORMATION EXCHANGE

Larry Palm shared information about the McAllen Public Library in Texas. The 124,500 square foot building used to be a Wal-Mart and is now the largest single story library in the U.S.

After the meeting Bryan Cooper sent the following link to share:

<http://www.govtech.com/health/Texas-Wal-Mart-Public-Library-Nets-Award.htm>

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ACCEPTANCE OF DIRECTOR'S REPORT

[26928](#) July 2012 Library Director's Report

A motion was made by Markle, seconded by Karlen, to Approve. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

APPROVAL OF MAY 2012 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

[26929](#) May 2012 Financial Statements

A motion was made by Karlen, seconded by Markle, to Approve. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

APPROVAL OF PROPOSED INTERSYSTEM RESOURCE LIBRARY AGREEMENT

[26924](#) Intersystem Resource Library Agreement

A motion was made by Palm, seconded by Karlen, to Approve. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

ANNUAL BOARD REVIEW OF BMO HARRIS INVESTMENT POLICY & FUND PERFORMANCE

Greg Markle suggested the Board discuss the merits of using a local bank. A discussion ensued regarding establishing procedures for choosing/switching banks. Ann Falconer suggested that Madison City Treasurer Dave Gawenda be invited to the next meeting. A motion was made by Markle, seconded by Palm to refer the annual review to the July 31st board meeting and invite Dave Gawenda. The motion passed unanimously.

UPDATE ON CENTRAL LIBRARY

Bryan Cooper updated the board on June's progress. The major demolition phase has passed and FFE orders are in progress. A/V bid documents will be completed soon. Computer discussions have started with library staff to confirm budget and any related construction needs. Reviewing costs for existing art conservation has started as well as looking at how to proceed with bidding this work.

Greg Markle requested that the board receive monthly updates regarding construction contingency tracking. Cooper will provide this information. Cooper also stated that the heat is impacting work. Crews are now starting at 6:00 a.m. and have left early due to the triple digit temperatures when working on the roof.

FACILITIES REPORT

[26925](#)

Facility Cost To Operate

Mark Benno gave an overview of this report. Larry Palm asked about the high rent costs at Pinney Branch and inquired as to whether a better rental agreement could be negotiated. Greg Markle commented that the 3% multiplier in the Pinney lease is considered high for rent in today's market. Benno recommended that the board look at Pinney first for relocation.

Benno will work on adding more information to this report and supplying it to the board annually.

Benno also reported that 10 days in a row of hot temperatures were taking a toll on AC units. Sequoia and Monroe Street failed resulting in the necessity of closing the branches while units were repaired. Central, Goodman South Madison and Hawthorne were working but at their operational max.

Ashman, Lakeview, Meadowridge, and Pinney are all working.

Palm asked about the HVAC system at the new Central. Benno and Cooper will be talking to the mechanical engineer.

FRIENDS REPORT

Ann Falconer reported that a successful thank you event was held at the United Way Building.

FOUNDATION REPORT

No report.

SOUTH CENTRAL LIBRARY REPORT

Carol Froistad reported that she attended the last meeting where they discussed their investment strategy and found it interesting, however, MPL does need to be represented at these meetings by a board member. Meetings are held at the SCLS offices on American Parkway although the board member could attend by phone. The board will continue the discussion regarding appointing a member.

DANE COUNTY LIBRARY SERVICE REPORT

No report.

APPROVAL OF CONTRACT FOR GREGORY P. MICKELLS

[26821](#)

Submitting the appointment of Gregory P. Mickells for confirmation of a five-year term as the Library Director.

A motion was made by Palm, seconded by Carter, to Return to Lead with the Recommendation for Approval to the BOARD OF ESTIMATES and should be returned by 7/9/2012. The motion passed by voice vote/other.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Barb Karlen and seconded by Sheri Carter to adjourn. Approval was unanimous. The meeting was adjourned at 5:20 p.m.