



**City of Madison**  
**Meeting Minutes - Final**  
**MADISON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD**

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Thursday, July 12, 2007

4:30 PM

South Madison Branch Library  
2222 S. Park Street

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**I. CALL TO ORDER**

*The meeting was called to order at 4:42 p.m.*

**II. ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Larry Palm, Carol Carstensen, Tracy K. Kuczenski, Ann L. Falconer and David L. Wallner

**Absent:** Barbara J. Karlen, Annette Miller, Theodore C. Widder, III and Gregory Markle

*Also Present: Dimick, Sawyer, Benno, Olson, Froistad, Goren*

**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

*The June 7, 2007 Minutes were approved.*

**A motion was made by Falconer, seconded by Carstensen, to Approve the Minutes. The motion passed by acclamation.**

**IV. CORRESPONDENCE**

*Several letters were included in the Board packet: 1) Letter from patron praising the service he received from Pinney Branch staff; 2) Patron request for additional hours at the Hawthorne Branch; 3) Letter from City Attorney about open meetings law (doesn't change anything for MPL); 4) Letter from Board President thanking the Gunter Agency for their very generous gift of professional designing services for the Readmobile and library brochure.*

*Markle, Karlen and Miller arrived at 4:44 p.m.*

**Present:** Larry Palm, Carol Carstensen, Barbara J. Karlen, Tracy K. Kuczenski, Annette Miller, Ann L. Falconer, David L. Wallner and Gregory Markle

**Absent:** Theodore C. Widder, III

**V. PUBLIC COMMENT**

*Former Board member Ramon Hernandez checked in one year after his term expired. He encouraged the Board to keep up the good work.*

**VI. BOARD INFORMATION EXCHANGE**

*It was noted that Linda Olson, Community Services Manager, is retiring after 30 years at MPL. Ms. Olson stated she is leaving at a time when Youth Services is in a tremendous position for the future. Seven of the eight branches will now have a dedicated Youth Services librarian; this couldn't have been done without the help of the Library Director and Branch Coordinator and the support of the Library Board.*

*Palm moved, seconded by Karlen, the Board's profound regret at her departure. Motion passed by acclamation.*

*Ms. Karlen who is also on the Porchlight Board indicated that organization is interested in pursuing a grant which would provide funding to alleviate some of the problems brought to the library by the Porchlight population. Ms. Dimick and Ms. Frostad indicated they would be happy to meet with Porchlight staff.*

## VII. FINANCIAL REPORT

*The Library has received its budget directives for the 2008 operating budget. We have been asked to cut 3% on the 2007 levy (\$300,000). In addition, the Dane County Library Service has had to take a 7% cut which means a substantial cut in the reimbursement funding we receive from them. We're just beginning the process now of looking at where we are over or under on line items at this half-way point in the year to determine where cuts could be made. Expenditures will all go up (rent/utilities, etc.). The city will cover increases in debt service as well as salaries, however.*

*Ms. Dimick was asked to see what affect increasing hours at Lakeview and Meadowridge had on the budget for this year.*

*It was noted that City Planning has isolated three sites for a new southwest branch library. Ms. Dimick will ask Brad Murphy to update the Board at a future meeting.*

## VIII. APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE PROHIBITING CONSUMPTION OR POSSESSION OF ALCOHOL ON PUBLIC LIBRARY PROPERTY

89. [06237](#) Amending Section 38.02, creating Section 38.031, repealing Section 38.04(1), renumbering Sections 38.04(2) and (3) to Sections 38.04(1) and (2), respectively, amending Renumbered Section 38.04(2)(b), repealing Sections 38.04(4) and (5), renumbering Sections 38.04(6) through (8) to Sections 38.04(3) through (5), respectively, amending Renumbered Sections 38.04(3) and (4), amending Section 38.05(13) to clarify that the penalties listed therein apply only to that subsection, repealing and recreating Section 38.07(2) to adopt and incorporate into the Ordinances the Wisconsin State Statutes relating to regulation of underage persons, creating Section 38.07(14) prohibiting consumption or possession of alcohol on public library property, creating Section 38.07(15) prohibiting consumption or possession of alcohol on city owned or operated property and amending Section 1.08(3)(a) of the Madison General Ordinances to modify, repeal and recreate bail deposit amounts for various ordinance violations.

*Ms. Dimick relayed the Board's concerns about how this ordinance might affect other city agencies, in particular, the Parks Department. Two City Attorneys indicated Parks has their own ordinance; this one will not affect them.*

**A motion was made by Palm, seconded by Falconer, to Return to Lead with the Recommendation for Approval to the ALCOHOL LICENSE REVIEW COMMITTEE. The motion passed by the following vote:**

**Absent:** Widder, III

**Aye:** Palm, Carstensen, Karlen, Kuczenski, Miller, Falconer and Wallner

No: Markle

**IX. APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE SOUTH CENTRAL LIBRARY SYSTEM AND THE MADISON PUBLIC LIBRARY**

*Chapter 43 of the Wisconsin Statutes has been amended. The agreement between South Central Library System and Madison Public Library outlines what services the system is required to provide and what requirements member libraries must now meet.*

**Karlen moved, seconded by Carstenson, to approve the agreement between SCLS and MPL. Motion passed by acclamation.**

**X. FRIENDS' UPDATE**

*There was no report.*

**XI. FOUNDATION UPDATE**

*Terrie Goren, the new Foundation Executive Director, was introduced. She reported that the Foundation just received a \$100,000 bequest. A final payment from this bequest is due before the end of the year.*

*The spring fund raising campaign has surpassed its goal which is very good news and the July issue of Sequels will be coming out next week. The Foundation Board is working on strategic initiatives. A 5-year plan has been developed and they'll be meeting to discuss strategies and action steps.*

*The Sequoia campaign has gone over the \$700,000 mark.*

**XII. SOUTH CENTRAL LIBRARY SYSTEM UPDATE**

*There was no report.*

**XIII. DANE COUNTY LIBRARY SERVICE UPDATE**

*We're still waiting for the consultant's final verbiage on the Dane County futures study.*

**XIV. COMMITTEE UPDATES**

*There were no reports.*

**XV. ADJOURNMENT**

*The meeting adjourned at 5:17 p.m.*

**A motion was made by Markle, seconded by Palm, to Adjourn. The motion passed by acclamation.**