



City of Madison
Meeting Minutes - Final
MADISON PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD

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Thursday, October 5, 2006

4:30 PM

Madison Public Library
201 W. Mifflin St., Rm. 201

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:36 p.m.

Present: Larry Palm, Carol Carstensen, Ann L. Falconer, David L. Wallner and Theodore C. Widder, III

Excused: Barbara J. Karlen and Gregory Markle

Also Present: Dimick, Sawyer, Chase, Benno, Grogan, Roughen, Froistad

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The September 7, 2006 Minutes were approved.

A motion was made by Palm, seconded by Wallner, to Approve the Minutes. The motion passed by acclamation.

III. CORRESPONDENCE

In addition to the items in the packet, the library received notification from the District Attorney of Dane County that a library user who had stolen DVDs was sentenced to pay \$583 in restitution to MPL and spend 20 days in jail.

Mr. Widder received an email asking why there is an appeal to the public for donations of private funds for the Sequoya library project. There is still the perception out there that this is a public function to be paid for by the city. We will have to continue to educate the public.

We received a copy of the letter sent to the County Executive from the Mayor in which he supports the library's request to maintain the 2006 levels of funding for 2007. The County Executive is proposing to fund the Dane County Library Budget at the same level as 2006 less \$24,000. The Dane County Library Board authorized County Board members to submit a budget amendment for the additional \$24,000.

IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were none.

V. BOARD INFORMATION EXCHANGE

Ms. Carstensen distributed a brochure listing the frequently asked questions about the November 7 referendum for schools.

A party honoring former board member Jack Taft will be held at the Alicia Ashman Branch Library October 11 from 5-7 p.m. Jack also served on the Board of the Central Friends, the Ashman Friends, the MPL Foundation and the South Central Library System as well as many other community organizations.

The 2007 Library Board meeting schedule was included in the board packet. It was noted the July and August meetings are scheduled for the second Thursday of the month rather than the first.

VI. FINANCIAL REPORT

As requested at last month's meeting, Ms. Dimick asked for a definition of "Purchased Income" as it appears on the monthly M&I Report. According to the account administrator, it is the interest income that is due (through the date of sale) to purchasers of bonds from our portfolio that were sold that month. Transaction data will be included in the report in the future.

It was noted that the Mayor's 2007 executive operating budget calls for the library to receive all but \$10,000 of the supplemental requests that were submitted.

VII. DANE COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD GOVERNANCE OPTIONS REPORT

Julie Chase, the Dane County Library Service Director, reported on the initial findings from the Himmel and Wilson study of library governance options for Dane County. The study concluded that the salaries costs would be \$1,000,000 higher with both the consolidated county library and countywide district models. As a result, they have developed another model - "Open Door" Movement Toward Consolidation. The final phase of their study will be to flesh out the "Open Door" model. They expect to have a final report by January.

VIII. ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Carstenson moved, seconded by Falconer, renomination of the current slate of officers: President, Tripp Widder; Vice-President, David Wallner, and Secretary/Treasurer, Larry Palm. Motion passed by acclamation.

IX. DANE COUNTY LIBRARY TAX EXEMPTION

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A resolution regarding application to the Dane County Board for exemption from Dane County Library tax levied under Section 43.64(2) Wisconsin Statutes.

A motion was made by Wallner, seconded by Falconer, to Return to Lead with the Recommendation for Approval to the BOARD OF ESTIMATES. The motion passed by acclamation.

X. APPROVAL OF 2007 INTERSYSTEM RESOURCE LIBRARY AGREEMENT BETWEEN MPL AND SOUTHWEST WISCONSIN LIBRARY SYSTEM

This is an annual contract in which Madison Public Library agrees to act as a resource library for the Southwest Wisconsin Library System for the sum of \$2500.

Carstensen moved, seconded by Wallner, to approve the 2007 Intersystem Resource Library Agreement between MPL and Southwest Wisconsin Library System. Motion passed by acclamation.

XI. APPROVAL OF SCLS 2007 STATUTORY SERVICES AGREEMENT

This is an annual agreement with the South Central Library System. MPL agrees to provide backup reference and interlibrary loan services for a sum of \$145,000. In addition SCLS pays MPL nearly \$14,000 as a collection enrichment grant for the purchase of reference materials to benefit all system residents.

Wallner moved, seconded by Carstensen to approve the SCLS 2007 Statutory Services Agreement. Motion passed by acclamation.

XII. APPROVAL OF SCLS 2007 SUPPLEMENTARY SERVICES AGREEMENT

In addition to rent, photocopy service, telephone, truck rental and printing services that are billed, MPL receives \$72,000 to purchase in demand materials and \$67,000 to be used to purchase additional copies of highly popular items and for the general improvement of the library.

Carstensen moved, seconded by Palm, to approve the SCLS 2007 Supplementary Services Agreement. Motion passed by acclamation.

XIII. DISCUSSION OF LIBRARY POLICY - POSTING OF PUBLIC NOTICES AT MPL - DISPLAY AND DISTRIBUTION OF MATERIALS FROM OTHER AGENCIES, ORGANIZATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS

The policy was reviewed. It states that posters, etc. must be fact based and cannot be posted if they advocate a position on a public issue. It also addresses the size of the display. It was determined that no changes were necessary.

XIV. FACILITIES UPDATE

There was no report.

XV. FOUNDATION UPDATE

The Capital Campaign is proceeding for Sequoya. We have a commitment for a six figure donation.

The Foundation recently received a \$100,000 gift. The donor will meet with Ms. Dimick and Ms. Olson to discuss her wishes for using the money.

XVI. SCLS UPDATE

Since Mr. Taft has resigned from the Board, a new appointment is needed to the SCLS Board. The appointee must be available for monthly noon meetings. This item referred to the November meeting when more members would be present.

XVII. DCLS UPDATE

There was no report.

XVIII. COMMITTEE UPDATES

There were no reports.

XIX. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:22 p.m.

A motion was made by Falconer, seconded by Carstensen, to Adjourn. The motion passed by acclamation.