

Minutes for
Library Board of Trustees
Regular meeting – May 27, 2014

1. Call to Order
5:01 PM
2. Roll Call
Natalie, Alice, Gloria, Diane, Angie and Alicia
3. Approval of Agenda
Angie motioned, Gloria seconded.
4. Public Comment
Present Marlene Leep and Jan Westendorp present. Discussed concerns over resignation of former president, and Marlene indicated the board has some concerns about the resignation which was discussed after the official board meeting. Deb expressed to Marlene and Carrie Coburn the reasons for her resignation. Marlene indicated that attendance at the Orangeville and Watson Township meetings is required and has not been occurring. Marlene indicated that she was told by Deb that this was one of the reasons that Deb resigned. Alice expressed that she understood that Marlene had the best interest of the board in mind. Marlene indicated that Deb was willing to come back as a trustee but not president; she indicated such to Marlene this morning.
5. Approval of minutes
Motion made by Gloria, seconded by Angie, All in agreement.
6. Review Bills and Budget
All reviewed no questions.
7. Directors Report
New MLA updates, state working on their budget and asking for increase in their state aid, talking about siphoning penal fines for road repair. Angie asked Alicia to have Denise place a link on the Facebook page to encourage others to write the legislature. Dollar General grant came through to work with the school to do the reading program in the summer with the school's summer program. Regular summer reading program rolling along, most big things done just little details to get worked out. Alicia indicated she feels she is on schedule with the planning. Handed out flyers for the summer reading program. Volunteers needed on June 14 for the summer reading program kick off. Hoping to reach a new goal for the summer book. All class tours scheduled or done. Yesterday Memorial Day parade went well. Ebook update: challenge for June – each library challenged to increase their circulation by 25%, prizes may be awarded.
8. Old Business
 - a. Orangeville legal service contract
Gave for \$250 more for the year, \$4750!
 - b. Budget Committee presents budget
Discussed proposals and partial plans. Angie motioned to accept the budget proposal, Natalie seconded, all agreed.

9. New Business

a. Deb Gossman's resignation

Discussed resignation and the lack of communication regarding the resignation.

Alice motioned to accept the resignation, Angie seconded, all agreed.

Angie volunteered to contact Carrie about posting the opening.

Next month the board will vote to elect a vice president.

10. Updates on Township meetings

Martin Township: Alice and Diane attended the township meeting and reported on the resignation of the former president.

Watson Township: Gloria did not attend this month; she has been attending every other meeting – more than the quarterly attendance that we agreed upon with the Township.

Orangeville Township: Alice attended, provided update to the township.

Village of Martin: Natalie did not attend the meeting but contacted via email regarding the closure related to Birthday Bash.

11. Public Comment

Marlene indicated that the policy should be amended as to how to handle the situation when someone resigns as there is nothing written down at this point. Marlene advised that the board put steps in place so that the procedure be followed in the future.

Jan Westendorp indicated that she loves the library and the programming that has been going on in the last few years. She hopes the positive things continue as she believes this library is one of the only things going forward in the community.

12. Board Member Comment

Alice motioned we send an email to Deb accepting her resignation, Gloria seconded, all agreed. Angie volunteered to send an email notifying Deb of the acceptance. Alice suggested that the library board not comment or respond to the township board's discussion about the board's activities. Also discussed sending a thank you card to Deb and getting her picture for the board picture collection.

13. Next meeting

Alice motioned, Natalie seconded, all agreed.

14. Adjournment

6:01 PM