

Minutes of the Burlington Public Library Board of Trustees

The Burlington Public Library Board of Trustees met on Tuesday, February 23, 2016 in the Burlington Public Library Meeting Room. Present were Penny Torhorst, Peter Smet, Mike Kelly, and Bridget Savaglia. Excused were Ed Johnson, Scott Johnson, Pat Hoffman, and Pat Hurley. Also present were Library Director Gayle Falk, Administrative Assistant Linda Berndt and High School representative Paige Taylor.

Torhorst called the meeting to order at 4:05.

Minutes of the January 26th meeting were approved. Smet moved approval, and Kelly seconded. Motion passed.

The February 2016 General Fund Bills, Prepaids, and Reimbursements, and January General Deposits, were discussed and approved. Kelly moved approval and Savaglia seconded. Motion passed.

Smet moved and Kelly seconded the motion to approve the January 2016 Trust Deposits, and February 2016 Trust Fund Bills. Motion passed.

Committee Reports:

There was no report at this time.

Federated Library Report:

Savaglia reported that she has been appointed to the Racine County Library Planning Committee. They will meet at the Lakeshores office in late March.

Old Business:

There was no Old Business at this time.

New Business:

Annual report for Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction: The Annual report was handed out and discussed. Savaglia moved and Smet seconded the motion to approve the Annual report as presented. Motion passed. Kelly moved and Savaglia seconded the motion that Burlington Public Library does feel that Lakeshores Library System has fulfilled our needs. Motion passed. Torhorst will need to sign several copies so it can be filed.

A Bill has been passed so that we can have the Police contact delinquent patrons about money they owe the library. The Police can tell the amount of the bill but not the items that are on their card.

Book Sale Dates: It has been suggested that the Book Sale dates be changed from Maxwell Street weekend to July 21st, 22nd, and 23rd which is the weekend before. It is easier to get volunteers to work when we are not competing with the Racine County Fair. Smet moved and Savaglia seconded to move the dates to July 21st, 22nd, and 23rd. Motion passed. The next issue is that the Library Board meeting is scheduled for July 19th. We can either have it upstairs in the Children's room if they don't move all the books in yet or we can meet at the BASD office. Smet said it would be okay to have the meeting at the BASD office in July.

Directors Report:

We are seeing the trend continue towards more use of electronic resources and less use of print materials. Falk will provide information on Zinio use at the next meeting.

Falk had two handouts for the Board members to read. The first is an article in March 2016 issue of The Atlantic entitled "The Library Card" by Deborah Fallows. The second was a letter to Carina from Falk expressing the Library Board's support of a feasibility study for the Library inclusion in a joint facility with the City administrative offices, the BASD offices and various Racine County offices.

BPL in the News: There were several calendar items in the papers this month. There were also several articles from area papers regarding the unveiling of the Lincoln statue.

Public Communications to the Board: There were none at this time.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m. Savaglia moved and Kelly seconded. Motion passed.

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday, March 2nd at 4:00 p.m. in the Burlington Public Library meeting room.

Respectfully submitted,

Pat Hoffman
Secretary/Treasurer