

OLATHE PUBLIC LIBRARY BOARD  
REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING  
March 24, 2010

The regular March meeting of the Olathe Public Library Board was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by President Tom Hutcheson. Members present were Cathie Bennie, Jack Hansen, Dana Lambert, Tom Hutcheson, Wes McCoy, Cliff Tatham (Chairperson of Olathe Public Library Foundation Board), Linda Schoonover (President of Friends of the Library), and Library Director Emily Baker. Absent were Darryl Ashley, Rodney Birch and Mayor Michael Copeland. Also attending were architect Kurt von Achen, interior designer Marcia McCown and library employees Leslie Ellsworth and Janet Monsees.

There were no public comments. Tom Hutcheson announced that Emily Baker will serve as president of the NEKLS board of directors for the next term. Ms. Baker announced that library employee Lorie Hyten will receive the KLA president's award for meritorious service at the annual state convention in April.

1. READING OF MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Cathie Bennie moved to approve the treasurer's report for the February board meeting. Seconded by Dana Lambert and motion passed. The minutes of the library board meeting of February 17<sup>th</sup> were reviewed. Jack Hansen moved to approve the minutes of the February 17<sup>th</sup> board meeting. Seconded by Wes McCoy and motion passed.

2. ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

Move 4B: 3M Library Systems to be part of 9A: Preliminary 2011 Proposed Budget Discussion

After Additions or Deletions to the Agenda, add 2A: ICB Carpet Project, Marcia McCown and Kurt von Achen.

2A. ICB CARPET PROJECT, MARCIA McCOWN AND KURT von ACHEN

Kurt von Achen and Marcia McCown gave an update on the carpet project for the Indian Creek Branch Library. The carpet will be installed the week of May 10<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup>. Ms. McCown showed samples of carpet recommended for the project. Dana Lambert moved to proceed with the carpet and color scheme as presented for the Indian Creek Branch Library. Seconded by Wes McCoy and motion passed.

3. REPORT OF THE TREASURER

Janet Monsees gave the report for the treasurer. Cathie Bennie moved to approve the treasurer's report. Seconded by Jack Hansen and motion passed.

#### 4. CONSENT AGENDA

February expenditures were reviewed. Dana Lambert moved to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Wes McCoy and motion passed.

#### 5. REPORT OF LIBRARY DIRECTOR

The monthly report was given by Library Director Emily Baker. February circulation was up 13.2% at Main and 6.7% at Indian Creek. Gate count at Main was up 9.9% and down 13.1% at Indian Creek. Customers are walking around the gate at Indian Creek. Volunteer hours were up 20.5%. ILL was up 12.5% for borrowed and up 10.0% for loaned. Computer user sessions were up 3.4%. Spring break programs at the library were well attended. The cookie making program was very popular with 170 kids attending.

Two joint purchasing ventures are being considered by Johnson County Library and OPL. Bibliocommons is a new catalog interface and eCommerce is a way to pay fines online.

The library turned down a request by the City of Olathe Parks and Recreation Department to display a new piece of art on the library's lawn. It is called "Prayer Booth" and has praying hands displayed on the side of the booth.

#### 6. FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY REPORT

The Friends of the Library report was given by President Linda Schoonover. The March book sale took in \$800 and \$1200 at the February sale. The next sale will be April 10<sup>th</sup> with a Friends of the Library preview night April 9<sup>th</sup> from 5-8:00 pm. The Friends are donating \$500 for summer bookmobile and \$1,000 for Wii games. The annual soup supper will be April 23<sup>rd</sup> at Indian Creek Community Church with guest speaker Dr. William Worley portraying Dr. James Naismith, the inventor of basketball.

#### 7. OLATHE PUBLIC LIBRARY FOUNDATION BOARD REPORT

The Olathe Public Library Foundation Board report was given by Cliff Tatham. "A Taste of Literacy" fundraiser for 2010 will be Saturday, October 16<sup>th</sup> with nationally acclaimed and award winning local author Nancy Pickard as the speaker. This year is the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the foundation. The balance in the foundation account is \$225,000. Five thousand dollars will be contributed to the library's summer reading program.

#### 8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Emily Baker reported the Coordination Committee for Downtown Public Projects has not met recently.

Several bank rates for certificates of deposit were looked at and the library business was declined by Metcalf Bank. Jack Hansen moved to reinvest \$230,000 at First National Bank of Olathe at a rate of 1.85% for 12 months. Seconded by Dana Lambert and motion passed.

#### 9. NEW BUSINESS

Janet Monsees presented the estimated tax figures for 2011 along with known increases and suggested savings. Wes McCoy moved to increase Olathe Public Library

finer for books and materials to the same amount that Johnson County Library increases fines. Seconded by Cathie Bennie and motion passed. Jack Hansen moved not to renew the 3M contract on the library's security gates. Seconded by Dana Lambert and motion passed.

Tom Hutcheson appointed Wes McCoy and Dana Lambert to the nominating committee for library board officers.

#### 10. ADJOURNMENT

President Tom Hutcheson adjourned the meeting at 6:10 p.m.

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Jack Hansen, Secretary